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Ice storms cause Metro Airport back-up

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Ice storms in Dallas and Memphis caused heavy preholiday traveler back-ups at Detroit Metro Airport last

On Christmas Day most of the more serious travel problems were alleviated.

passengers to spend the night at Romulus-based hotels.

Michael Conway, spokesperson for Metro Airport, said checks with Romulus hotels last Wednesday found that

week, forcing many stranded plenty of rooms were available and local airlines availed themselves of the options for their passengers.

A similar situation occured the following night (Christmas Eve), Conway said, but created less problems at Metro, because fewer travelers were heading in those directions.

On Christmas Day most of the more serious travel problems were alleviated, he said, but it added to the concept that when traveling around the holidays, air travelers should plan to leave at least two hours travel time.

Another problem developed on Monday morning, Conway said, causing about a 45 minute delay for travelers. The problem was a breakdown of a United Airlines owned magnometer (one of the two metal detectors being used in Concourse A). Thus Wayne County was forced to replace the unit owned by United Airlines with one of its own.

While New Year's Eve traffic will be heavy, Conway explained, the heaviest upcoming traffic at the airport is expected to come on Sunday (when many area residents will be returning home from their holiday jaunts around the nation.

Metro Airport officials will be anxious to hear travelers' opinions on the changes at the airport in recent months.

Having just lived through one of the toughest years in the past decade or two, workers at the airport are hoping that this major holiday -- the last in 1998 will be a winning one for their self esteem.

Conway and others are hoping that travelers will have a much brighter memory of using the airport this past week than they did this spring or summer.

Earlier this year Metro Airport was beset with labor slowdowns prior to the devastating Northwest Airlines strike.

Area and regional media conducted surveys that gave the airport extremely low marks for everything from on time arrivals, baggage recovery delays and supposedly unfriendly staff members at both Northwest and Metro Airport

in general. New Airport Director David Katz took on a number of projects -- particularly during the downtime caused by the summer strike - that he hopes will begin the big turn around in

airport images. Katz is hopeful that the improved parking area near Davey Terminal, remodeled restrooms and the addition of airport informational desks and personnel will create some positive feedback from the public after the holiday pe-



Love-wrapped presents

Three dedicated Romulus girls, who spent days collecting money for area homeless persons, pause briefly during their gift wrapping session. They used the more than \$510 they collected to buy hundreds of presents for children of all ages and adults and also baked over 14 dozen cookies. The trio, Jennifer Camilleri, Tracy LaFehr and Crystal Blair, also were joined by the youth choir from Calvary Baptist Church, when the presentations were made. MCN Special Photo

3,000 parking spots to open

MCN Staff Writer

Potentially 3,000 new parking spots will be available to Detroit Metro Airport users and others visiting Romulus by sometime this week.

The Romulus City Council minus two members -- unanimously approved a 60 day temporary seal from Mayor William Oakley for the opening of Quik Park on Merriman road in Romulus.

Missing from the meeting were Council members Donald Morris and Debbie Romak.

Julie Allison, general manager of the parking facility, had written a letter to the council on Dec. 21, asking for a chance bally Monday night.

The opening of the parking lot first was tied to the opening of the planned Red Roof Inn now slated for about April 1999.

Then it was tied to the removal of large mounds of dirt at the site.

In her letter, Allison said "due to weather conditions we were slowed down and not able to complete the removal. We will continue to remove the

dirt as weather permits." She added "we are requesting permission to open. We have met all the council requirements with the exception of the dirt removal. We will have all the job completed by June of 1999

"The majority of the dirt has already been removed," Allison wrote.

Councilman William Crova -- who also serves as the council's representative on the city's Planning Commission -said the commissioners wanted to guarantee that there was a timely opening of the ho-

Councilman Michael Prybyla said he had visited the site and felt the hotel construction was proceeding in a timely fashion and that the parking lot area looked good.

After appearing before the council, Allison (wife of Fire Chief David Allison) said the parking lot is state of the art and will offer 18 shiny brand new shuttles.

Forty five drivers will (or have been) hired and Quik Park employees will offer customers battery booster service as needed, she said.

The cost to park will be \$1.50 per hour, \$6 per day or \$36 per week.

She expected the park to open early this week -- possibly as early as Tuesday.

In other council action, the new city auditing firm of Plante and Moran has been contracted to handle the city's audits for the next two years.

The contract lists a cost of \$34,800 for fiscal year 1998-99 and \$35,950 for the fiscal year 1999-2000.

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McPharlin retires from local schools

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Arthur McPharlin, long time Romulus School District employee, retired earlier this month, Superintendent Dr. William Bedell revealed last week.

McPharlin had served years ago as principal of several Romulus schools. In recent years, he has handled most of the district's public relations and served as a technical assistant to Bedell.

In addition to working closely with local newspapers on classroom news coverage and providing photos to supplement those press releases, McPharlin also has served as

editor of the district's Perspective and co-editor of the Link a joint newsletter the district produces with the city of Ro-

Bedell said before the holiday vacation it was too early to tell who would take over any of McPharlin's duties.

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Gifts galore

A trio of Romulus Goodfellow volunteers -- the Rev. Edward Thomas Jr., Patrick Reames and Jerilynn Burcroff -- are shown preparing toys and games last week prior to the deliveries before the Christmas holiday. Photo by Al Post.

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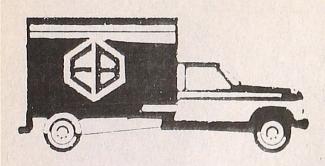
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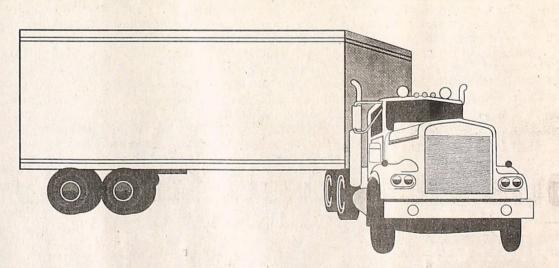
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Teens charged with murder

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Instead of spending the holopening up Christmas gifts on Christmas Day with loved students spent the holidays in the murder of their friend.

Accused student killers Stephen Rains, 14, and Jason Blevins, 15, were arraigned on Wednesday before Judge Sylvia James in 22nd District Court.

The two Glenn freshmen are charged with beating to death Jeffrey Joseph Firman, whose bludgeoned body was discovered on Dec. 19 on the football field of the old Cherry Hill High School.

The high school building, located at 28500 Avondale, in the city of Inkster, is presently being utilized as a charter school, the Academy of De-

Standing alongside their court-appointed attorneys on Wednesday in the courtroom, Rains, a 5-foot-0, 110-pound freshman, and Blevins, a taller and more muscular-looking teen, stood mute when asked how they pleaded to the mur-

Judge James entered pleads of "not guilty" for the defendants, who appeared stunned at the court proceedings and idays with their families and the attention given them by the TV cameras and media.

James told the defendants ones, two Westland John Glenn that the charge would be "open murder" because the the Wayne County Juvenile Defacts of the case had not been tention Facility charged with presented. If convicted on the charge, both Rains and Blevins may spend the rest of their lives behind bars.

When James asked Rains whether he could afford an attorney, he stood silent, then shook his head. She said that a court-appointed attorney would be provided, if the defendant qualified.

The court proceedings were interrupted by Blevins' uncle when the defendant also was asked if he was able to hire an

As Blevins replied in the negative, the uncle stood up and said that the family is in the process of hiring an attor-

James chastised the relative for interrupting the court proceedings, but allowed him to

No facts about the homicide, Inkster's 12th of the year, were disclosed during the arraignment. Judge James said that bond would be set at \$300,000 cash for each defendants and, after receiving assurances from legal counsel that a Wayne County Prosecutor would be available on Monday to present the state's case against the two defendants, Judge James scheduled a 9 a.m. Monday, Jan. 4 preliminary examination.

Blevins and Rains are accused of beating up Firman, who was left on the football field were he apparently died. According to the Wayne County Medical Examiner Office's Report, death was caused by blunt force trauma to the head.

Inkster detectives Tony Abdallah and Greg Hill would not speculate on motive. Both officers were in the courtroom on Wednesday to assist the prosecutor, but did not discuss the case after the court adjourned. if needed.

But, according to published reports, Hill and Abdallah followed a trail of evidence provided them by Westland John Glenn students who reportedly informed them that Rains and Blevins had bragged to them about beating up the victim.

The two Inkster detectives arrested the juveniles after an interview. They received waivers from juvenile authorities to try the defendants as

MCN Special Writer

Jen Leonard, co-captain of the Plymouth-Canton girls tennis team, left, Barb Hanosh, coach, center, and Liz Elsner, co-captain. Bad Step on a crack, break a tennis player's back

By JIM TANTALO

High school tennis cried foul over Canton High School cratered tennis courts last Au-

Barb Hanosh, Canton tennis coach, appeared at a Plymouth-Canton school board meeting and called the courts an "embarrassment" for a large district. She also called them a danger.

For two high schools of the size that we are, in a community that is as able of supporting this as it is, it's humiliating that those are the kind of conditions we have to deal with. Any school within our conference, they each have if not six courts for themselves, than eight or 10 per school.

And we're currently working in four which are in awful condition," said Hanosh.

force to back up her charges.

"The courts are in awful shape, there's cracks all over. the nets sink. There's sand all over the place, I've even skinned my knee a couple of times," said Mark Coats, who plays on Salem's tennis team and practices on the PCEP courts over the summer.

Rather than take responsibility for the deep cracks, each one a trip wire for players young ankles, Superintendent Chuck Little fobbed off the blame on Jerry Vorva, who has been holding up the district's construction bond in litigation.

'To get the kind of repair that you need and deserve, the He is the one who is blocking place to go to get that kind of you from getting tennis money is the 1997 bond," Su-courts," Little said.

perintendent Chuck Little Her players appeared in said, involing Vorva, but neglecting to blame other unnecessary costs, such as settlements for employee harassment suits or unnecessary buyouts [see frontpage story on lawsuit settlement).

> Money from that bond issue was to go into the building of a new high school as well as many other improvements in existing schools including \$300,000 to build new tennis courts for the high schools.

> "Without sounding harsh, or like we're turning you away and throwing you to the wolves, but I think it's time that people begin to call Jerry Vorva and tell him what his misdirected efforts are doing.

Prosecutor gets Peaches and Cream sex cases

Some 139 alleged "sex club" patrons and its management will have to get their sexual kicks from other than a Westland-based club that police said provided "life sex" inside the building.

The club was closed after Westland and area law enforcement officers raided the

Located in a strip mall at Venoy and Cherry Hill roads, the club apparently catered to local swingers, including scores from the cities of Westland, Wayne, Inkster, and Dearborn Heights

Westland police, with the help of M.S.E.T., a specialized handpicked unit of law enforcement officers, raided the club during the early morning hours of Dec. 20 and took 139 persons into custody.

M.S.E.T. is the specialized group of police officers that raided the Melody Theater in August of this year and arrested some 40 patrons and closed down the infamous Inkster adult movie house. Nine of those arrested in the raid will answer to felony charges in February of 1999.

In the latest raid, county

prosecutors are going over the evidence to determine if they have cases against those taken into police custody.

"The paper work has been forwarded to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office so that they can make a determination on who and what charges will be filed on those who were rounded up over

"The raid, however, was mainly handled by Westland police. They did an excellent job," said an M.S.E.T. officer, who spoke on a condition of anonymity

According to reports, officers witnessed various sexual acts on the dance floor of the establishment known on website and in the area as the Peaches N' Cream.

Reportedly, the prosecutor is considering charges against only half of the people nabbed in the raid, and those charges may include gross indecency or lewd conduct.

"Most were there only as spectators," one officer said.

While little information about the Peaches N'Cream was available at press time on Monday, the business apparently publicized their program on a website geared to "swingers."

On website, Peaches and Cream has been described as "a social club that caters to all levels of the lifestyle.

'The new hall is fabulous with loads of room, big dance floor, great bar area and an outer lobby with a pool table.'

The computer site also states that "Bill & Liz are the gracious hosts of this dance and have taken great pleasure in providing a club for the swinging community for the past two years. With their move to the new locations, they are forging ahead to establishing a social club that caters to all levels of lifestyle on a weekly basis..."

Wayne County prosecutors are also considering filing charges against the club owners for selling liquor on premise without a license.

A police informant had told police that there were actual sex acts performed inside the building.

Police conducted a fiveweek long investigation before the raid was conducted.

Canton Township plans growth for a change

MCN Staff Writer

After wisely turning down plans to finance developer Burton Katzman's megadevelopment with millions of dollars of public funds in the fastest growing area in southeast Michigan, the township board finally came to its senses and came up with a growth plan for the two-mile stretch along Interstate 275, north of Cherry Hill and south of Coppernick.

"We are looking for ways to limit development of more big boxes along Ford Road in the Lotz area," said Melissa McLaughlin, a township trustee and planning commissioner. "We wanted to create a campus environment with open space, landscaping along interior roads, a unified storm water system, and to address some wetlands issues. We didn't want everybody to have their own storm pond and disconnected streets. We wanted to have guidelines in place when development happens. It's not a question of if it will be developed, it's only a question of when.

To do that, the board passed a corporate park overlay zoning district, forcing development in 10-acre parcels in the district. Owners of smaller pieces must joint develop their

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McLaughlin said the overlay would encourage a different mix of construction than currently appears in the sprawling township. Residential, coffee shops, mid- and high-rise offices, light industrial, hotels, and theaters would be allowed, she said.

"Off Interstate 275, the area is the eastern entrance to Canton," said McLaughlin. "We wanted something to distinpalities to the west. It's also important for Canton to have a good image along Interstate

The growth plan was passed over the testy opposition of auto repair shop owner Robert McCausland, who owns 8.9 acres within the district. Police tossed McCausland out of a planning commission by police when his protests became a wee bit heated.

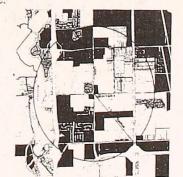
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THE PROPOSED MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT TO PARCELS OF LAND LOCATED IN THE NW 1/4 SECTION OF SECTION 54 ON MORTON-TAYLOR AND TYLER ROAD.

This amendment will locate general commercial uses in close proximity to the existing and planned neighborhoods which they are intended to serve.

Copies of the proposed amendment are available in the Department of Development. The public hearing will be held in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, Belleville, MI 48111 on Wednesday, January 13, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. (Or as scheduled on the agenda). Written comments will be accepted at the Department of Developmental Services until 5:00 p.m. on the Hearing date.



Cindy C. King, CMC, Clerk Charter Township of Van Buren

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Police identify car-

tim in a fatal car-school bus crash that occurred in the township on Wednesday.

Police said that the victim, Denise Johnson, 43, was fatally injured when she apparently lost control of her vehicle on Sheldon Road, south of Seven Mile, and crashed into a Wayne-Westland Community School bus occupied by

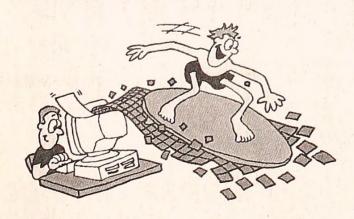
children were injured, ac-

cording to township police.
Northville Township Safety Director Chip Snider said that the department's investigation into the traffic fatality is incomplete. The probe continues.

"We are not certain what caused this fatal accident," Snider said. "But our department is continuing its

curred around 3 p.m. Johnson, who resides in the 18000 block of Mark Twain Street in the city of Detroit, was alone in her vehicle when the accident oc-

Police believe that Johnson's car may have hit a patch of ice in the road that caused her to lose control of her vehicle. She was reported dead on arrival at St. Mary's Hospital in the city of Livonia.

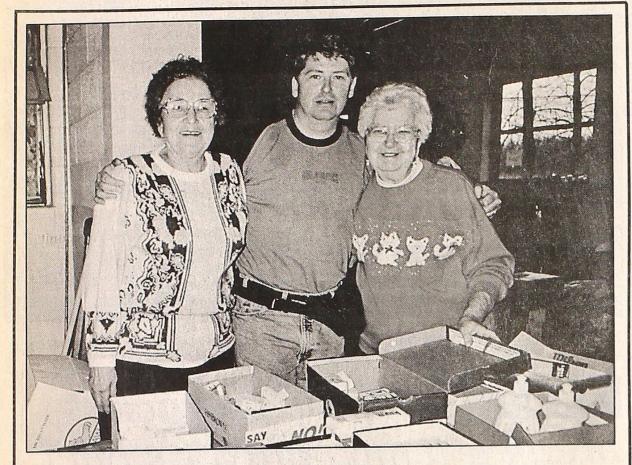


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Seniors on the move



Seniors thanked

Romulus Community Police Officer Joseph Richardson gives two senior citizens a gentle hug as they complete their Goodfellows volunteer effort a few days before Christmas. The seniors, Mary Sneath and Blanche Bogotski, helped pack many of the personal items into the Christmas packages. Photo by

Free T'ai Chi lesson slated

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Center will be offering a free demonstration on a no impact exercise program known as -T'ai Chi - at 11 a.m. Jan. 5.

Bob Correll, a T'ai Chi instructor, will present the hour long demonstration.

T'ai Chi helps build balance and strength without the soreness or discomfort caused by more routine exercise programs and is highly recommended for senior citizens.

Following that a 10 week program will be offered at 11 a.m. each Tuesday beginning on Jan. 12. The cost will be \$4

Anyone with questions on The Wayne Senior Activity the classes should call 721-7460.

> Free tax preparation by AARP tax aides will be available at the Wayne Senior Services Office for seniors 60 years and older with a yearly income of \$20,000 or less.

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A free seminar on long term health care issues will take place at 1 p.m. Jan. 6th at the Wayne Senior Activity Center, 35000 Sims ave.

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The seminar will be offered by Kenneth W. Lyon, who will explain what happens to a family financially and emotionally when a loved one must under a nursing care facility.

This program will explore logical alternatives in addressing this problem.

CAll 721-7460 for more information.

A new watercolor/drawing class will open at 9 a.m. Jan. 12 at the Senior Activity Center, 35000 Sims in Wayne.

Six weeks of classes will be conducted at a cost of \$24. Participants must be members of the center to take part.

Keep '99 resolutions brief

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

It's that time of year again. Time that is for New Year's Resolutions.

Area leaders at the YMCA are cautioning residents -- particularly senior citizens -- if you seriously want to keep your resolutions this year, keep the list short.

Yes you can eat less, become more active or quit smoking, the YMCA execs state...but if you are serious use the following advice.

Select only three resolutions at the most. Staying on track is more likely when the number is a manageable one.

·Vary the resolutions, don't focus solely on the body. Remember the importance of nourishing your spirit and mind, as well as your body. For example, volunteer an hour per week, vow to ready one book each month, write a letter or E-mail message per week to a friend or family

•Line up a support network.

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Goals are accomplished through a series of small steps, the hardest step to take is usually the first one.

- Tracy Hjorth

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"The key to success is confidence," Tracy Hjorth, director of health care services at the YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit,

"Goals are accomplished through a series of small steps," she added. The hardest step to take is usually the first one, Hjorth said, so perseverance and commitment to change are the key elements for turning resolutions into re-

In January 1999 the YMCA launches the YMCA Personal Fitness Program in nine branches including Wayne-Westland.

This unique 12 week one-onone program can also contribute to resolution-keeping success, Hjorth said.

It is designed to enhance participants spirit and mind, as well as their bodies. YMCA fitness instructors encourage participants to identify barriers to exercise and assist with developing strategies to overcome them.

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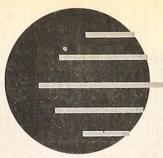
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V. Maureen Kempston Darkes, president and general manager of General Motors of Canada Ltd., will speak on the melting barriers to international trade, when she appears before the Women's Economic Club of Detroit.

Darkes will speak at the luncheon meeting on Jan. 14 at the Detroit Marriott in the Renaissance Center.

She also will speak on how the international global market provides a new fair playing field for women and opens up incredible opportunities for women everywhere.

The ticket cost is \$20 for members and \$25 for non members. For reservations call 313-963-5088.

Stephanie Dionne of Westland recently won first place in the annual Schoolcraft College Communications Arts competition.

The prize awards \$500 to a full-time student, who has taken classes in communication arts. The student must present a three to five minute speech, extemporaneously or from a manuscript.

Scott Smith of Romulus has been elected to the Student Senate at Albion College.

Smith is a junior at Albion College. He is the son of Conley E. and Paula L. Smith of Romulus. Smith also is a graduate of Romulus High School.

The Student Senate is the official voice of the students and the disburser of students' activities fees.

Robert Edward Levin, author

his book at Borders Book Store in Dearborn from 7 to 9 p.m.

The store is located at 5601 Mercury drive.

Levin is a 1979 graduate of Michigan State University. who two years ago published his first book American Meat, a collection of his poetry.

He is now working on his second novel.

Matthew Randazzo, a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, is currently spending a semester studying in the BOR-DERS program in Texas and Mexico.

A student at Albion College, Randazzo is involved in the off-campus program that allows students to study different cultures and work in professional environments with internships and students offered in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and in the United States.

Four Canton residents were announced as December 1998 degree and certificate candidates at Washtenaw Community College. They include: Laurie A. Gleba, Christine M. Lang, Phyllis J. Serman and Michael Gerard Sleyter.

Megan Gilliland of Romulus is participating in the Foreign Language Enrichment Series at Albion College. She is teaching Spanish during the fall semester to elementary students in the Albion area.

A graduate of Romulus High School, she is a first year student at Albion College. She also is the daughter of Ted M. and Carol A. Gilliland of Ro-

FLES participants visit local schools for one hour each week and help teach students a foreign langauge, such as colors, numbers and holiday words and phrases.

has been accepted in the Honors Program at Albion Col-

Ryznar currently is an A of a novel The Lizard and The student at Albion College and Fly, will be signing copies of the daughter of John S. and Linda A. Ryznar of Romulus. She also is a graduate of Romulus High School.

Honors Students must graduate with a 3.5 cumulative grade point average and produce an Honors thesis. They Humanities, Science, Social Science and Fine Arts.

Navy Lt. Jeffrey J. Coleman, son of Linda K. Coleman of Wayne, recently reported for duty at the Naval Air Station in Willow Grove, Pa.

Coleman is a 1981 graduate of John Glenn High School of Westland. He joined the U.S. Navy in July 1984.

Two area sailors, Navy Airman Recruit Ryan B. Heemer of Westland and Navy Airman Apprentice Mazen Jishi of Canton recently completed and eight week U.S. Navy basic training at the Recruit Training Command in the Great Lakes, Ill.

Heemer is the son of Susan L. Mosely of Westland and a graduate of Marshall High

Jishi is the son of Jasmie Saleh of Canton and is a recent graduate of Michigan Technical Career Institute of Portage,

34th District Court and **Airport Police place gifts** also are required to enroll in four seminars: Great Issues in under area Christmas tree

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Approximately 100 area children broke into smiles just before Christmas as they found gifts under a holiday tree at the 34th District Court in Romulus.

The gifts had been placed there earlier by members of the Wayne County Airport Police Department and employees of the 34th District

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and includes gifts donated by members of both agencies for children in the cities of Romulus and Belleville and the townships of Huron, Sumpter and Van Buren.

Officer David Green, Community Relations officer for the Wayne County Airport Police, said the areas served by the 34th District Court match up pretty well with the neighborhoods around Detroit Metro and Willow Run Airports.

"So we saw this as a perfect opportunity for our two organizations to give a little something back to this community," Green added.

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By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

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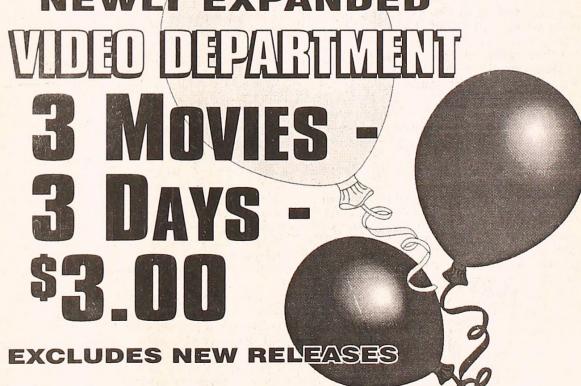


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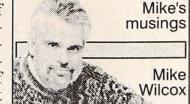
Past holiday seasons have had their fire in Inkster a share of murder and mayhem in Western Wayne, but I can't recall a Christmas season when so many tragedies have taken center stage.

Take for instance the Ypsilanti Township man that is accused of murdering his estranged Canton wife. So the story goes, the man became incensed after his wife informed him that she was filing for divorce. The day after the wife was found dead in a Canton home she was sharing with her mother and four kids. One could chalk this off as just one more victim of a relationship gone sour, but during the holiday these tragedies become magnified. We think of Christmas as a time for joy and laughter, but in many cases it exudes loneliness, and in extreme situations, violence.

Violence certainly came front and center when a 15- year- old John Glenn student was found bludgeoned to death on a football field last week. Jeffrey Firman, a Westland resident and excellent student didn't get to open his Christmas gifts, because two teenagers, allegedly drunk and in the mood to kick butt, beat Firman, so severely, that he never regained consciousness. We don't expect brutal and senseless murders like this to take place in suburbia, but it happened, and during the holiday season to boot.

And then there's Lee, The Rapist, who has preyed on a number of Western Wayne women this holiday season. Lee is linked to at least three reported rapes, because they all originate in the suburbs and end in remote areas west of Belleville. The latest involved a Wayne woman who was picked up while walking to a Michigan Avenue store. Instead of seeing the inside of the store, the woman was forced to disrobe at knife-point and become the latest rape statistic.

Five people narrowly escaped death when their third floor apartment caught couple weeks ago. Although a holiday tragedy because much of the apartment complex was



destroyed, the five, including a pregnant woman were heroically rescued by Inkster firefighters.

One person died tragically when the car she was driving smashed into a Wayne-Westland Schools bus carrying students. Fortunately none of the seven students were injured but the 38-year old driver of the car died shortly after the collision which occurred only a couple of days before Christmas.

I hope this isn't a trend. These tragedies make great newspaper stories but tear apart the lives of those close to the situations. 1999 is just around the corner and my wish for the new year is that the tragedy so prevalent in 1998 dissipates to a wimper in 1999.

Down with tragedy. Let's bring in the New Year with humor. A new publication aptly coined "Kicks" brings us the following newspaper headlines they found in publications:

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Mr. T. S. ... The Enterprise, Lynnwood, WA

Dear Mr. S.: Close to 60 years ago a young man asked for the hand of a father's daughter and was told he would never be able to support that gal in the fashion she had grown accustomed to. That young man was me, and in a few months, my wife and I will be celebrating our 60th wedding anniversary. I probably shouldn't, but I'm sending you the requested \$350. All my life people have taken a chance on me. Perhaps it is time someone did the same for you. Best wishes to you and your bride-to-be.



Dear Mr. Ross: About 2 years ago I wrote you how Host \$200 in the snow on the way to the bank to deposit it. At the time I felt so bad. However, I am thanking you for not sending it to me. It happened the son who took me to the bank slipped the envelope out of my coat and hid it. Quite some time later he repented for what he did and told me the truth. If you had sent me the money, he might have thought he could do it again. My son now has a good job and is making it just fine. Praise God for forgiveness when we repent.

A Mom in Tennessee

Dear Mom: When misfortune happens, sometimes it is for a reason. I doubt my sending you \$200 would have lead your son down a path of crime and destruction, but just as well, because now I don't have to prove my theory. Thanks for writing me with the positive outcome.

Dear Mr. Ross: I belong to a tap dance group at our senior citizen center. Grace Walling is our teacher, seamstress and just a fun person to be around. We dance at rest homes, churches and for anyone who wants us. Our ages are 50 to 76 and we are all fortunate to be doing this. Last year someone broke into Grace's car and took her new tape player, all her music, new shoes and some costumes. She is now using an old tape player and it doesn't work very well. I think \$200 would get a good tape player with enough left over to get her new shoes that won't kill her feet. I hope you feel this is a worthwhile request.

Ms. L. D. ... Standard Examiner, Odgen, UT

Dear Ms. D.: I can understand there being a black market for tape players, but for tap shoes and costumes? It goes to prove that crime knows no bounds. I'm sending you \$200 to reinstate Grace with tunes and tappers. And, I don't feel the need to justify why to my readers. Granted it doesn't parallel the need for food and shelter, but if life was only about survival, I'd probably have checked out a long time ago.

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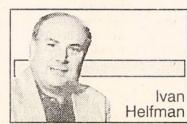
How to get perfect Christmas gifts

The day after Christmas I was one of the millions who fought for good parking spaces and then trudged through crowded malls to help my children exchange unwanted presents.

This may no longer be necessary if a trick pioneered this holiday season by Lauren Hawcroft, a nine-year-old English girl, catches

Lauren got exactly what she wanted on Christmas morning, even though she wasn't happy with her original gifts. But Lauren, who had snuck an early look at her presents, took them back to the store and swapped them for good ones before Christmas.

Thanks to this bit of foresight, her mother, Mandy, watched in amazement as Lauren unwrapped what should have been the Spice Girls video and CD that Mandy had bought, only to pull out a video of the Oscar-winning film Titanic and Robbie



Williams's latest album, "I've Been Expecting You.'

"I was more surprised than Lauren when she opened her presents on Christmas Day, because they weren't what I had bought," said Mrs. Hawcroft. "But Lauren was dead pleased, though not quite so excited. She had got precisely what she wanted, but only because she had taken back what I had bought her before the

big day." Mrs. Hawcroft bought Lauren's gifts at the beginning of December and stored them in her bedroom closet, believing that they were safely hidden. But she didn't reckon on Lauren searching for

them and finding them, and then persuading her 14-year-old sister, Gemma, to accompany her on a shopping trip, where she exchanged the gifts.

"It worked out OK," said Lauren. "I would only have had to take the presents back after Christmas, so I just thought I would do it early. It did mean I could watch Titanic on Christmas Day and listen to Robbie."

Because of the early exchange, Lauren was able to open her presents without having to pretend that she was delighted with unwanted gifts, unlike the rest of those of us had to fawn over distant family members' bizarre taste in music or clothes.

Of course, Lauren missed out on the post-Christmas sales, but at least she got exactly what she

How many others can say that?

Lettters from our readers

What's the point of attack on Iraq

To the Editor:

As usual, the politicians, pundits and media have misdirected us into arguing over two aspects of the current bombing of Iraq which mask the real question that needs to be addressed.

The issues of the "timing" of the attack (which will never be resolved) and whether or not bombing is the right policy decision (questionable), have completely obscured the question of under whose authority is the attack against Iraq being carried out?

When President Bush was preparing to launch the gulf war in 1991, he initially claimed the only authority he needed was a United Nations Security Council resolution. Eventually, he went to the Congress (albeit kicking and screaming) and obtained its approval. (Just incidentally, the entire current Democratic leadership voted against giving him that authority.)

In the current situation, President Clinton was told in no uncertain terms that he had no authority from the United Nations to attack Iraq by the Secretary General and the Security Council. Congress was not even consulted, much less giving its consent.

Are we now at the point where the president (any president) can go to war on the assertion of a vague "vital national interest"?

Now that our military is under the command of a man who, in the past has expressed, not just his contempt, but his hatred for the American military, we must put the control back under the Congress where the Constitution placed it. The highest priority of

the 106th Congress, other than removing President Clinton from office, should be repeal of the unconstitutional "War Powers Act". This would remove any ambiguity that Congress has the sole power to authorize acts of war other than a response to a direct military attack on the United States.

To add insult to injury, Clinton and his clone in Great Britain (Tony Blair) have named the operation after a World War II Nazi general (Erwin Rommel known as "the Desert Fox").

Rommel was the Nazi general defeated by the combined American and British tank forces in North Africa in one of the decisive battles of World War II, but at the cost of high casualties among American and British troops. Is it the causalities inflicted by Rommel that Clinton and Blair are

commemorating by the operation's code name?

When will enough be enough! Jim Rarey-Romulus, Michigan E-Main scislo@Ameritech.net

Family thanks Romulus police, paramedics for quick rescue

To the Editor:

Our son was involved in an accident earlier this year and we are writing to ask that you print the following piece to express our appreciation to those who helped us in our time of need.

"We are writing to express our family's gratitude for the care giv-

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en to our son, Andrew, after he was injured on our driveway on May 22, 1998. It has been five months since his accident and it appears he will make a full recovery without any long term repercussions.

We would like to take a moment to express our appreciation to the Romulus Police Department and the rescue services that responded during our crisis. The quick response time and professionalism of the responding individuals allowed my son to be quickly transported to Annapolis Hospital, where it was determined, due to the extent of his injuries, that he should be transferred to U of M Motts Children Hospital. As a result of the response team's professional demeanor and concern, the stress on our family was greatly reduced.

> Thank you very much! Sincerely, John & Coralee Gelormino

Forget the past, step over the threshold

To the Editor:

In the past 99 years, Americans have stood on untold thresholds. From the threshold of flight, to the threshold of the space age. From the threshold of Democracy, to the threshold of Equal Rights for both men and women. From the threshold of the Age of Computers, to the threshold of the Information Super Highway. Each of these thresholds represented a step toward another frontier as America continued to grow.

Now we are on the threshold busion a new millennium. The 21st century. It's exciting to look to the future and imagine so many things for our children and grandchildren. For they are the generations that will shape America for

the 21st century.

I don't claim to be a visionary. I don't know what the future holds. I do remember something my mother told me often, "Son, these are the best days of your life." She was right. These are the "good ol" days" that can never be regained. That's why you and I must capture the moment-each and every day-and make it count.

What you and I do as Americans this year sets the tone for the 21st century. That's not a thought to toss away as idle rhetoric. It's a belief each of us must embrace.

The values, ideals and commitment to America we inherited from our ancestors must be relayed to those young visionary minds of tomorrow.

Values of a belief in God, a need for a family foundation, respect for others and for our government. An understanding that America does not owe us something; instead we owe our country something for protecting freedom and allowing all citizens to achieve to the best of their ability.

Not much more than 100 years ago, my ancestors came to America seeking a better life. They were part of the great American melting pot of the late 1800s. Brave and industrious men and women, they embraced this land and the American flag from the first moment they set foot upon its soil.

Our nation experiences constant change. We've had good times and bad. Yet, when united toward a common goal, we have risen to every occasion. We did it with grit and determination. We did it learning from our mistakes of the past. We did it because we were Americans-and proud of it.

Now, it's time for you and me to tackle our role for the future. A role that demands we stop pretending that there is no right or wrong, just shades of gray. For if we continue making that mistake, we destroy the values that will strengthen our future.

It is right that Americans demand an end to a continuing erosion of our military at the same time we expect more from our men and women in uniform. The

cost of isolationism is much heavier in currency and blood than the price of eternal vigilance.

It is right for citizens of this great land to honor their promises to veterans of the 20th century by improving access to the Department of Veterans Affairs health care system.

And, it is right that a constitutional amendment be passed restoring the people's right to protect the U.S. flag. It is a right taken from us by a narrow Supreme Court decision in 1989. It is a right that must be restored.

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endured the loneliness and fear that comes from deployments.

This is a promise I am confident in keeping, for the men and women I represent in The American Legion understand what my mother always told me: These are the best days of our lives.

What you and I do this very day will have an impact on the 21st century. Let's stop over the threshold and get to work

> Sincerely, Bruce Miller

lax me out to the ballgame

To the Editor:

Here's an interesting Sammy Sosa statistic you might not have heard this summer: Most of his home runs were hit in a privately funded ballbark. But alas, Chicago's Wrigley Field is a rarity-public financing of professional ballparks has become as common as an infield fly.

Take New York for instance. The Yankees broke a team attendance record this year, yet owner George Steinbrenner hopes to build a \$1.1 billion stadium in Manhattan-largely financed by the taxpayers. Of course the Mets would scream "foul" if the city

built a stadium just for the Yankees. So they're asking for at least \$100 million of public booty to help underwrite a new \$450 million ballpark of their own.

Now I love sports as much as anyone, but if I'm going to pay big bucks to go to a baseball or football game, I don't want to shell out a second time when I pay my tax-

It isn't just the big cities that are doing this, either. The city council of Round Rock, Texas, was delighted when baseball legend Nolan Ryan pledged \$6 million to build a minor league park in their community. The problem: Residents of Round Rock were expected to come up with an additional \$7 million. Fortunately a grass-roots petition threw a wrench in the deal and forced it onto the Nov. 3 ballot.

"It's just corporate welfare." David Oatman, one of Round Rock's anti-stadium leaders, told the San Francisco Examiner.

What's truly indefeasible is the disregard stadium supporters have for democracy. In 1995 voters in Seattle rejected a proposed sales-tax increase that would have been used to build a park for the Mariners. The legislature responded by authorizing taxes for

a new stadium and declaring it "a public emergency." Worse yet, the Washington Supreme Court agreed that the need for a new ballpark was indeed a public emergency.

Voters have never been keen on spending their taxes on stadium. Even in San Francisco-a city known for its welfare generosityproposals to build the Giants a new home were rejected by the voters four times. The team finally got the message, and now the Giants are raising \$136 million and borrowing an additional \$170 million in private loans.

And that's the way it should be. Professional sports teams are big business and should rely on the free market, not corporate welfare. Unfortunately that's frequently not the case. A 1991 study by the University of California at Berkeley determined that 79 of 102 pro teams were playing in publicly owned stadiums and are-

Team owners often tout the economic benefits these venues bring to cities. And there's no doubt new ballparks are good for local businesses during game days. What these owners seem to ignore, however, is an economic concept called "the substitution effect." Simply put, consumers have a limited number of entertainment dollars. If they don't spend this money at the ballpark, they will spend it at a concert, the bowling alley or a movie theater. The net gain to the city is thus far less than advertised.

Unfortunately the teams that receive the generous subsidies are unwilling to repay the generosity of the taxpayers. Visitors to Washington, D.C., can tour the Lincoln Memorial or White House for free-because their tax dollars already paid for these magnificent structures. Somehow I don't think that argument would get me into a Redskins game without a ticket.

> Sincerely, Edwin Feulner Heritage Foundation

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Student 'lock-in' slated for New Year's Eve-Day

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Between 100 and 200 Romulus area youth are expected to take part in the second Romulus High School Lock-In that will begin at 10 p.m. New Year's Eve and continue through to 6 a.m. on New Year's Day.

The Rev. Neil Swanger of the Ball Road Tabernacle Church, who is coordinating the fun-filled eight hour nonalcoholic event, said approximately 30 adult volunteers have agreed to assist in the safety- promoted activity.

Just like last year few advance tickets were sold, but many are expected to come to the \$9 per person music/sports activity festival.

Last year's event was trouble free, Swanger said.

Major donors to date included the Mayor's Drug Task Force, \$2,000; Ball Road Tabernacle Church, \$700; and Headers Corp., \$500. The local IGA store also is donating large amounts of food and cold drinks and the Romulus Rotary Club has pledged its financial support.

While the doors to the school will open at 9:30 p.m., Swanger said, the activities will not begin until 10 p.m.

Once a youth enters the 'Lock-in', he or she will not be allowed to leave the building unless picked up by a parent. Also once they leave they will not be allowed to return.

The evening will begin with music and a series of sports tournaments (basketball, volleyball and dodge ball), Swanger said.

Both live and taped music will be available all night, and a series of loud Hollywood movies will be run throughout the activity to keep everyone awake, he said.

The 'Lock-In" is being sponsored as it was last year by the Romulus Ministers' Associa-

Jonathan Kamin of Canton is a member of Kantorei, a select religious choir at Valparaiso University in Indiana.

A graduate of Lutheran High School, Kamin is a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences at the university. He is a member of the 40-voice choir that serves the Chapel of the Resurrection. The choir specializes in festive liturgies and sings a diverse repertoire of sacred music from chant to Bach to music in folk and jazz idioms.

Both the Lutheran Hour and Woman to Woman weekly radio programs will be encouraging listeners to get fresh starts in 1999 this weekend.

Guest Debra Evans, author and reproductive health and family wellness expert, will discuss the "perfect woman" this Sunday, while Dr. Wallace Schulz will confront Americans' fear of failure which he claims prevents people from

making definite resolutions. The programs will be broadcasat Sunday on WMUZ (560) and WAAM (1600)



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I am looking for several people, who should call/leave a voice mail message, including your name and telephone number, for me at (313) 568-5320:

1) Anyone who witnessed a medical incident involving a young woman during the early morning hours of December 14, 1994 circa 4:00 a.m. The incident occurred near the Detroit Metropolitan Airport, at a gas station at the intersection of Eureka and Middlebelt Roads in Romulus, MI and which now is a BP Gas Station and, possibly before, was a Union 76 Station.

2) Anyone who was with Anne Marie Williams or any other woman on the dates of December 13-14, 1994 at Vickie's Steak House and/or any other place thereafter.

Over 1,000 children and adults took part in the pre-Christmas musical known as Candy Cane Lane offered by the Westland Free Methodist Church directed by Pastor Mark Cryderman and Annette

The four sessions for youth were at 7 p.m. Dec. 17 and 18

and at 9 and 11 a.m. Dec. 20 at the church located at 1421 Venoy road in Westland.

Cryderman stressed that the musical "teaches us the truth that God alone can satisfy our hungry hearts.

'Candy Cane Jane (the star) leads the other characters (Marsha, Mark and Mindy) through the Soul Food Forest

to Miss Ginger's house, where they learn how to grow," Cryderman said.

Some of the key performers included: Stacy Luke as Candy Cane Jane; Mary Cryderman as mother; Jessica Luke as Marsha; Micah Cryderman as Mark; Kendra Morton as Mindy; Heather Hartman as Miss Ginger; Blake Morgan as

Casey and Rick Morgan as Robert.

Some of the songs included: A Tale of Christmas Eve, Jingle All the Way, A Recipe for Life, Fat Baby and You Gotta Grow.

For Catholics, who prefer their Masses being conducted in Latin, St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Wayne, is offering an

8 a.m. Mass New Years Day (a low mass) and then later at 10 a.m. (a high Mass).

Father Francisco Radecki said St. Joseph's Church located on westbound Michigan avenue (between Venoy and Wayne roads) also offers Latin masses year round. For more information call 734-729-8228.



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Obituaries

BROWN, **VELMA EMELINE** CARR. CHARLOTTE IRENE MROZ, LEONARD JOHN PIGEON, FRANK L. PILAT, HELEN J. STROHMAIER, VIOLET F. WENDT, MABEL

BROWN, **VELMA EMELINE**

Age 84 of Shelby, MI., passed away Dec. 19, 1998. Dear mother of Thomas F. (Eivor), James G. (Margaret), Dennis J. (Jan) and Sister Karen Marie O.S.M. Also survived by 1 brother, 1 sister, 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Preceded in death by her husband Joseph. Services were held Dec. 23 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with inter

ment at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

CARR, CHARLOTTE IRENE

Age 70 of Inkster, passed away Dec. 19, 1998. Dear mother of Floyd (Bonnie) King, Richard (Judy) King, and Pamela (Edwin) Slater. Also survived by 1 sister, 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Preceded in death by 1 son Terry King and 1 sister Bonnie Fetter. Cremation rites were accorded. Memorial Service and burial will take place in Alpena at a later date. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

MROZ. LEONARD JOHN

Age 71 of Hudson, MI., passed away Dec. 18, 1998. Beloved husband of Betty. Dear father of Leonard Jr., Lori, Steve M., and Dianne (Mark) Ulmer. Also survived by 1 sister and 1 brother. Preceded in death by his parents Francis and Catherine Mroz. Services were held Dec. 21 at St. Thomas A'Becket Catholic Church with interment at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth. Arrangements by Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth.

PIGEON, FRANK L.

Age 77 of Canton, passed away Dec. 29, 1998. Beloved husband of Helen. Dear father of James (Colleen) Pigeon. Also survived by 2 granddaughters, 3 grandsons, 1 great grandson and 4 great granddaughters. Preceded in death by his parents Louis and Mable Pigeon. Services were held Dec. 22 at Risen Christ Lutheran Church with interment in Acacia Park Cemetery in Beverly Hills, MI. Arrangements by Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth.

PILAT, HELEN J.

Age 90 of Plymouth, passed away Dec. 19, 1998. Dear mother of Ron (Sharon) and Patricia J. Mahaz. Also survived by 7 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Preceded in death by parents Martin and Mary Kavan. Services were held Dec. 21 at Vermeulen Funeral Home in

Plymouth with interment in Evergreen Cemetery in Detroit.

STROHMAIER, VIOLET F.

Age 94 of Livonia, passed away Dec. 23, 1998. Dear mother of Beverly A. Rodda, Ruth Ivosic and Gerald A. Also survived by 9 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 28 at Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Memorials to St. Mathew Lutheran Church in Westland greatly appreciated.

WENDT, MABEL

Age 84 of Belleville, passed away Dec. 21, 1998. Dear mother of Darlene (William) Call. Also survived by 8 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 1 great great granddaughter. Preceded in death by husbands Joseph Nowak in 1971 and Marvin Wendt in 1997, daughter Jacqueline Bannerman and 2 sisters. Services were held Dec. 23 at David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with interment at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

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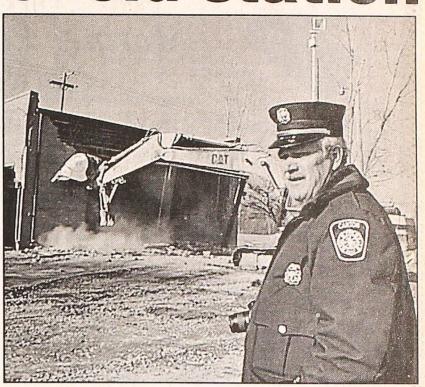
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MICHIGAN COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

Firemen watch demolition of old station



On Monday a power shovel knocked Canton's first fire station, built in 1950 at the northeast corner of Canton Center Road and Cherry Hill, to mithereens while nostalgic firefighters watched. The building, which had been expanded to 5,000 square feet before its death, had served as ne clerk's office and the former town hall. According to Fire Marshall Dave Champaign, top right, it hosted township board meetings that asted long into the night as rural township residents debated the same growth issues that have made the new 15,000-square-foot fire station recessary. The station had been expanded to three bays in 1974, when growth began to take off. Before the Caterpillar operator began winging his mighty shovel into the block walls of the station, several firefighters took a tour of their former sleeping quarters, which had been jutted. Furnaces, hot water heaters, and doors had been salvaged. Inside there was graffiti painted on the walls near empty shelves. Trefighters pointed out leaky ceilings from which water dripped; rooms where they watched TV, ate and slept; and explained why there was no repole. "Fire poles were for getting you above the horses," said Champaign. It took all of a sunny afternoon to turn almost 50 years of history no rubble from which dust rose as the parade of firefighters' cars departed.





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HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS VISIT Globetrotters' World Tour will stop off at 1 p.m. Jan. 30 at The Palace in Auburn Hills. Tickets ranging from \$11.50 to \$18 can be charged to credit cards by calling 248-645-6666. Two dollar discounts can be obtained for senior citizens 60 and over and for children 12 and under.

CHILI GOLF OUTING will be started at 9 a.m. Jan. 9 at the Leslie Park Golf Course, 2120 Traver road, Ann Arbor. Golfers will take part in six holes in the snow (that is if there is snow) and then conclude with a hot chili meal. Cost is \$12 per person. Deadline for registering is Dec. 30. For more information call 734-971-6840.

TOY AND HOBBY EXPO returns to the Novi Expo Center featuring the world's largest mobile model railroad display from 3 to 9 p.m. Dec. 26 and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 27. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children ages 4 to 12. Parking is \$4. For more information call 734-

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. each second Monday of the month at 9318 Newburgh road (between Joy road and Ann Arbor trail in Canton. All veterans, both male and female, who served from Jan. 1, 1959 to May 7, 1975 are eligible to join regardless of duty station. For more information call Don Dignan at 313-845-3752 or 734-525-0157.

WINTER HOSPICE COURSES are slated Thursdays from 4 to 7 p.m. beginning Jan. 14 at Madonna University. The noncredit fee is \$300. Students can earn 4.5 continuing education units. For more information call 734-432-5731.

GERONTOLOGY COURSE called "Helping Dementia Families" is slated at Madconna University in Livonia from 1 to 4 p.m. Jan. 29 through Feb. 26. The non-credit fee is \$100. Students can earn 1.5



Wine for the spirit

Approximately \$200,000 was raised recently by the Oakwood Healthcare System at its annual fundraiser which carried the theme Italian Carnevale. Participants sampled many international foods, 140 different fine wines, dessert buffets and gourmet coffees. Shown at the affair are from left: Gerald D. Fitzgerald, Oakwood Healthcare Inc. president and CEO; Jan Fitzgerald, Marge and John Sagan. MCN Special Photo

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FREE EYE EXAMS for low income families will be available in March through a program called VISION USA. Applicants must be working but have no health insurance that covers eyes. They should call between Jan. 4 and Jan. 29 the following number: 1-800-766-4466.

EVE celebration beginning at 6 Dearborn will be presented at p.m. New Years Eve at a dozen different spots throughout Ypsilanti featuring various entertainers including blues, jazz, country, calypso, reggae, folk, comedy, storytelling, clowns, etc. Cost for badges are \$12.50 for adults (\$15 at the door), \$5 for children 6-12 years old, children under 5 free. For more information call 734-483-4444

SPORTSFISHING, BOAT AND TRAVEL SHOW during March 11-14 at the Lansing Center in downtown Lansing. On display will be the latest fishing boats, motors, fishing gear and accessories. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. For more information call Showspan Inc. at 616-530-1919.

FOSTER/ADOPTIVE PAR-ENTS SOUGHT two-hour orien-

tation will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Jan. 13 and Feb. 18, 1999 for possible parents for infants, children and teens with severe emotional problems. Orientation will be held at St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center's Foster Care and Adoption Building, 29475 Inkster road in Farmington Hills. For more information call 248-626-7527 ext. 3368.

WAIT UNTIL DARK drama di-DRUG FREE NEW YEARS rected by Drane Bernick of the Huron Civic Theatre, 32044 Huron River drive on Feb. 5, 6, 7, 13 and 14. Auditions for parts will be held from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Dec. 13 and from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Dec. 15. For more information call 734-782-5380.

12TH ANNUAL KWANZAA JAZZ CONCERT featuring Barry D. Harris at 7 p.m. Dec. 26 in the First Unitarian Universalist Church, 4605 Cass ave. at Forest, Detroit. Cost is \$15 per person, \$5 for children under 12. For more information call 313-833-9107.

LYME DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP for western Wayne County meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church of Wayne, 3 Towne Square. The next meeting will be Nov. 18. For more information call Connie at 734-326-3502.

WEST SIDE SINGLES dances are slated from 8 p.m. every Friday at the Burton Manor in Livonia. Admission is \$5 after 8:30 p.m., \$3 before. Those 21 years or older are urged to wear dressy attire (no jeans). Manor is located on Schoolcraft, west of Inkster road. The hotline is 734-981-0909.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK SALES offering two-for-one sales and 50 percent discounts on dining, travel, shopping, movies, sports, etc are being offered for \$40 by the Plymouth Community Chorus. Books can be delivered throughout western Wayne County. For more information call Stan: at 734-459-6829.

KIDNEY CAR DONATIONS The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan is now accepting used cars, boats, motorcycles and motor homes. Donors should call 1-800-488-CARS to arrange a pick-up date. They also are urged to consult their tax advisors for details regarding their specific situations. Funds raised from the vehicle sales are used to aid programs and services for

Michigan's kidney patients. GRIEF RECOVERY a five week course offered by the Hospice of Washtenaw will stress adapting to losses and skills in coping with such losses. Sessions will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. each Tuesday at the hospice office at 806 Airport Blvd., Ann Arbor. Preregistration is required by calling 734-327-3409.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREEN-ING free screening takes place from noon until 2 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the

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ROBIN HOOD WORKSHOP is slated at Madonna University in Livonia from 6 to 10 p.m. Jan. 22 and from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 23. The workshop will examine significant variants of the Robin Hood/ Hode legend in its 12 century origins. The non-credit fee is \$100. Students can earn 1.5 continuing education units. For more information call 734-432-5731

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Conscious contact meets at 8:30 p.m. each Wednesday and Sunday at the Good First Step Table at the Garden City Hospital. Use the north entrance at 5254 Inkster road in Garden City. Call Woody at 734-776-3415.

SUESS ON LOOSE Science programs for four and five year olds will be offered from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Wednesdays in January at the Leslie Science Center, 18131 Traver road in Ann Arbor. Cost is \$36 for non-residents for all four sessions. Pre-registration is needed so call 734-662-7802.

WINTER SYMPHONY sponsored by the Belleville Area Council for the Arts is slated for 7:30 p.m. Jan. 16 at the Belleville High School auditorium. Tickets are \$8 for general admission and \$6 for senior citizens, students and members of the Belleville Area Council for the Arts. For more information call Ken Askew at 734-483-5529

PAGEANT DEADLINE The deadline to submit applica-

tions to the 1999 Miss Michigan Teen Pageant is Feb. 3. The pageant will be staged in the main ballroom of the Double Tree Hotel Detroit-Airport on March 27-28. For more information call 724-225-5343 (Monday thru Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

PARENTS WITHOUT PART-NERS is planning its first dance of 1999 at the Taylor Moose Lodge, 9981 S. Telegraph (between Wick and Goddard) at 9 p.m. on Jan. 15. Admission is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. For more information call George Graff at 313-388-8488.

WAYNE CHAMBER LUN-CHEON is slated at noon Jan. 21 at Rex's Family Restaurant, Wayne road and Michigan avenue in Wayne). Michigan Job Commission reps will be on hand to discuss program. Cost is \$11. Call 721-0100 for reservations.

MEN'S RECQUETBALL LEAGUE will begin Jan. 13 at Body Rocks- Ragcquetime in Livonia. League is sponsored by Canton Parks and Recration Services. Players will be divided into ability levels. Fee is \$100 per person faor 13 weeks. Call 397-5110 for more information.

CWW MEETING Conference of Western Wayne meeting is slated for 9:30 a.m. Jan. 15 at the Redford Township Hall, 15145 Beech Daly Road.

MALE VOICES NEEDED With the 125-voice Plymouth Community Chorus celebrating its 25th anniversary, a call is going out for new tenors, bases and baritones to sign on for rehearsals begining Jan. 5 for a Spring Concert (slated for April 24-25). Some openings also exist for altos and sopranos. For more information call 734-455-4080.



Family ties

Three members of the Poet family of Romulus, including Firefighter Jim Poet; his father, Bob, and son, Eric, are shown as they were about to take part recently in the Romulus Goodfellows activity. MCN Special Photo

Area women aided

Hundreds of women in western Wayne County will be aided at the First Step Domestic Violence Shelter and the Breast Specimen Radioagraphic Unit thanks to a record \$260,000 golf fund raiser recently sponsored by Don Massey Cadillac. Pictured above is a woman being serviced at the mammogram center at Oakwood. MCN Special Photo

The Michigan Community Newspapers want to assist you in publicizing your upcoming event. Carefully fill in the following information form and mail it to the Community Calendar, c/o the Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Ml. 48184. You may also fax the item to 313-729-6088. Deadline is the Friday before publication. Call 729-4000, ext. 43 for further information.

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Transforming your junk into someone else's treasure

By KAREN MEIER MCN Special Writer

Inventory. What kind of word is that? It doesn't make sense. It doesn't have anything to do with inventing something, far as I can tell. Now laboratory, there's a word that makes sense. It's a place where a person works, labors.

Mandatory, preparatory, congratulatory - those all make sense. But inventory?

Doesn't it mean to take stock, count your stuff up, see what you have? It doesn't mean you invent something.

Oh, well. I always think of it anyway this time of year. Inventory. When I was a child my Dad would announce on January 1 (or thereabouts) that all of us, his three children, had to take inventory. I'd write down how many pencils I had, how many pairs of socks, how many porcelain dogs, how many books, how many things I had.

I never knew why I did this. I never thought to ask. And when Carla or Anna would call on Inventory Day, I would say, "I can't play this morning, I'm counting up my stuff. My Dad said." And that would be that. I assumed they were going to be doing the same thing, if not that day, then certainly the next or real soon at least. New Year's and Inventory went together like Santa Claus and Christmas.

It wasn't until years later that I found out not everybody

Actually, when I found out that really nobody does this, I was taken aback.

So here are the facts. The word inventory doesn't make much sense and taking inventory on or near New Year's Day may seem goofy. But wait. Nonsense and goofiness, that might just be a winning combination.

Say that right today, you tell your children that it's Inventory Day. And then you explain clearly what you expect them to do. On a piece of paper they



must write (if they don't know how to write, you might want to rethink this whole things otherwise you'll wind up taking inventory for the nonwriter and that'll be aggravating, believe me), anyway the writers must write down all the items they have.

of each item they have. This could take forever and

then you can clean your kitchen in peace.

sively to them and how many

You should tell them also that they need to use some sort of elaborate code to indicate the stuff that's in disrepair, beyond repair, or should be a pair and is not. They should also indicate the things that ARE in good repair, but don't meet up to some standard of theirs. What's too small, too large, too frustrating, too cinchy, too doofus. Clothes, games, puzzles, lamps, toys. The whole kit and caboodle.

This activity following on the heels of Christmas is advantageous. The children can really appreciate the bounty of this recent holiday and the bounty of former holidays. They've got to count it all up. They might even think twice next year when they submit their letters to Santa Claus. If Santa comes through on their wildly lengthy lists, then Inventory Day might turn into Inventory Two Days. And that could seriously cut into school vacation days.

Not only that. But the de-

sions might bring about a deep appreciation for those who have provided them with those possessions, the grownups in their lives who've embraced the American Dream, who have lived and worked in this free country of ours and who have realized that wonderful opportunities abound and hard work really does pay off, And then again, it might just occur to the children that, 'Wow, we've got a lot of stuff!"

Now using the elaborate code suggested above might, after a while, make the inventory takers surly. But your insistence is necessary. When the inventory lists are submitted to you, then you've got in your hand a de facto admission of "extra stuff I don't really

And this serves not only as an admission, but permission to first, throw away the unsalvageable and second, give the Salvation Army or the Purple Heart or any other worthy. organization a call regarding the salvageable. What is too small for your child would fit perfectly some other child, what is too doofus to your child was never really doofussy in the first place and if your child can't appreciate it and use it, then someone else certainly can. Too cinchy?

Too frustrating? Too large? Not to everyone.

And whether it's the spirit of generosity or the specter of another long drawn-out Inventory Day which motivates your children, it's not important.

What is important is that it's a new year and inventory's been taken and any jumbled up, overstocked closet or shelf which in less gracious moments is "a giant heap of junk" has been transformed into someone else's treasure.

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Recipients will be honored at the BHS National Honor Society Induction in May to provide a connection between the community, the students who presently attend Belleville High School, and the alumni who provide inspiration for

tions to be answered rather than asking for a more in-

Adams suggests offering a quiet, out-of-the way place for the psychic to conduct readings. A separate room is ideal, but not necessary.

depth reading.

Some psychics also allow readings to be taped, and to offer cocktails at a psychic

Eight students qualify for math prize

Eight students at Plymouth-Canton Education Park have learned that they have qualified for the second part of the 41st Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition sponsered by the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America.

Students qualified for Part II by placing among the top 7% out of about 14,000 participants in an examination given at over 360 schools across the State of Michigan last October 14. The qualifiers will compete cholarships ranging in value from around \$450 to \$2400. Qualifyning were Luke Williams, Mike Darling, Evan Lueng, Arthur Tomlin, Nathan Roller, Anuradhr Bhama, Samip Mallick and Valeriel

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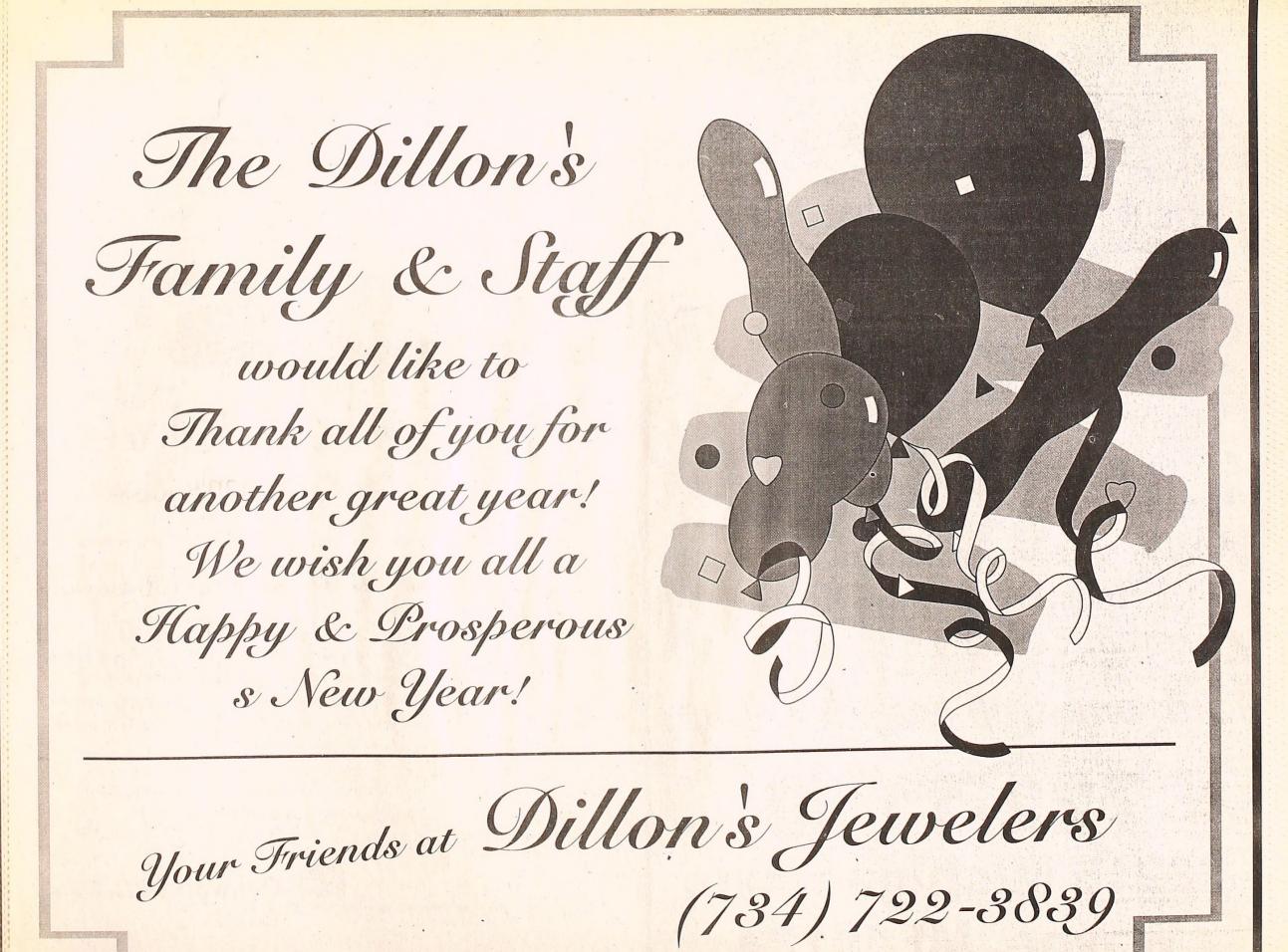
Theme parties are hotter Adams offers some tips for hosting the best psychic party. She said most psychics charge a per-reading fee, with a minimum amount required. Some will also charge an up front

The per-reading fee at a party will be considerably lower than a private, in-office fee, said Adams. This is because the reading is usually much less detailed and the recipient will ask specific quesmany people who receive readings enjoy taping, so ask ahead of time if you can provide a tape recorder. She adds, however, that "It depends on what spirits you're carrying with you. A lot of the spirits don't like to be taped,"

She said that while it's okay

party, guest should be cautioned against overindulgence, as it can throw the psychic off balance, and make getting a clear reading difficult.

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Belleville Planning Commission requests site plan review rules

By CAROL MARSHALL MCN Staff Writer

Belleville's Planning Commission asked the city council to address a long-standing difference of opinion regarding site plan review at the Dec. 21 regular meeting.

Bob Baker, planning commission president, said he and Keith Boc, director of public service, have for quite some time disagreed over the planning commission's right to perform site plan reviews.

Boc was on vacation and not present at the meeting, but Baker presented the reasons why he feels the planning commission should be involved in site plan review.

The previous master plan in 1965 was never administered properly. It was produced and put in a file and forgotten. And the planning commission is now involved in a process of developing a new master plan and if the planning commission does not have site plan review, the new master plan would be filed and forgotten and there would be none of the input that we have so diligently collected," said

He said the planning commission has for two years been working on the plan and, in order to save money, has done much of the legwork them-

He said they gathered data in order to find out what the citizens want, rather than "what others think Belleville should become.'

The commission then hired a planner to assist. "Our planner pointed out that if the planning commission did not have site plan review capabilities, then the master plan would only become a document in the file," he said.

He said 1994, the council as 94-303, article 20, which provides the commission with site plan review. The dispute centers around whether the amendment was intended strictly for the Victoria Commons condominium complex,

or for all new construction. believes there have been at least ten commercial buildings constructed that should have been reviewed.

Unlike his predecessor, Keith Boc has never used article 20 of the amendment, which is site plan review," said Baker. "And when Keith was asked by a new planning commission member several times, 'Are you sure the commission does not have site plan review?' Keith answered, 'No,' but he'd welcome it. So I thought he'd be happy when I went to him on Nov. 20, 1998, and showed him that we, the planning commission, did have site plan review approval process He said that he condominium amendment and would not apply to all developdidn't understand it."

adopt the amendment, and ap- communities--everybody else presented cases in which the lleville's the only city I know of adoption, at other sites be- view.' sides Victoria Commons.

regarding site plan review.

Council declined to take any of these actions immediately, but asked for the opportunity to closely review the article passed an amendment, known and add a resolution to the next meeting's agenda.

Council member Dr. Brian Loranger said, "Number one, I don't think it's fair to attack Mr. Boc when Mr. Boc isn't here. There are several things that our past building officials have not done properly. The Baker said the commission second thing is I got this [a copy of the articlel today. I mean it's all fine and good to discuss it today, but, I didn't even have a chance to go over it, so as much as I appreciate everything Mr. Baker had to say, I'd like a chance to go over everything."

Further, said Loranger, "I don't have a problem with site plan review, but my other point is the city has the tendency to drag its feet on things and I don't want this to slow somebody down from coming here to build something if we're going to make them wait three months until their site plan is reviewed."

Mayor pro tem Kay Atkins said, "I understand that Mr. thought 94-303 was only a site Boc has primarily gotten most of his education from the city. from classes that the city has ment....The reason he didn't sent him to, and it amazes me know this is he didn't read it or that a person going to these classes and seminars, rubbing Baker asked council to re- elbows with other cities and ply it to all development. He does site plan review. Bearticle was applied since its that doesn't do site plan re-

She continued, "We need to Other options, he said, look at this strongly. I need to would be to instruct Boc to ad- ask council to back me. I ask here to the article or declare a that we do require Keith to enmoratorium on all building un-force site plan review....It til a decision could be made doesn't make additional work. It's like an insurance policy."



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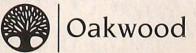


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Former student praises education at the park

To the Editor:

My name is Kim Reynolds. I am a 1997 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a second year student at Western Michigan University. As a graduate I feel I can express the importance of my experiences at the park. My schedule for my first two years at the park kept me at Canton, my home school, for the entire day. In those two years I fulfilled many core requirements and a few elective courses such as English 9, American Literature, Earth Science, Biology, and Math. Into my junior and senior years though, I was able to fit more electives into my schedule. This freedom allowed me to venture across the park campus into Salem High School, a high school that had it's own sports teams and clubs, but one that offered me, a Canton student, opportunities that I would not have had if I remained only at Canton. Such opportunities included, art classes, The Rock Cafil and Humanities. For a Salem student Canton provided for them opportunities such as photography, auto, and Kiddie Campus.

My senior year I enrolled in AP English, The Writing Center, Humanities, and Photography. My choices required that I travel from one building to another because Humanities, Astronomy, and Pottery were only offered at Salem and AP English and photography were only offered at Canton. But to me having classes with the best teachers at both Salem and Canton was worth it. These classes prepared me for college as they gave me an edge over other students. Not only was I already accustomed to the work load, but I was also already adapted to lecture, small groups, group work, and walking across campus in 10 minutes to make it to my next class. If I would not have taken

Humanities, Approaching the Arts, or The Writing Center for example I would not have had the edge that I did when first arriving at Western. Dancing, art, critical thinking, analyzing, creating and maintaining groups, singing, test taking, essay tests, revising papers, mentoring, one on one conferences, and the list goes on with the skills that I acquired by being exposed to these wonderful classes. My junior and senior years proved to be years in which I was able to dabble in various arenas. The variety of classes at the park allowed students, including myself, to discover for ourselves interests, strengths, and weaknesses. These discoveries help students in deciding what they want to accomplish with the rest of their life.

There are always good and bad to be found within every school. There are always, unfortunately, students who leave school not caring if they are one ounce more knowledgeable or not, but three separate high schools is not the answer. This proposal will rob future students of obtaining that edge that we graduates of the park can claim. They will not know the benefits of feeling the chilly air on their face, walking on the snow, in the wind to get to Salem for their Humanities Greek Myth Plays or to Canton for photography, auto, or Approaching the Arts for a discussion of Marcel Duchamp or the "Rope Piece." There are alternatives and I ask that you consider them. Believe it or not through we would like to think that three separate high schools could still maintain these choices of classes they could not, for the park thrives on the total population of 5,000 students for all of their combined interests, desires, and curiosities.

I will end with these few stories. When first arriving at Western I didn't know every many people. Much small talk occurs the first week of school. Included in this small talk are things like where are you from and what high school did you go to, what was it like? I know

for myself that when this topic of conversation arose I could not wait to tell everyone about. my high school. A high school where we had an entire course booklet, a high school were we could experience classes outside of the traditional. I couldn't wait to show my new friends all of my pictures from my Humanities mural project and of my Frank Lloyd Wright Showcase. I smiled when in my freshman English class we were told we had to keep a journal, do free writes, complete drafts of papers, do peer conferences and I would of 25 others was the only one who was familiar with these very routine methods of writing and revising which I learned and practiced in The Writing Cen-

I am asking that you, in your decision regarding the third high school, take into consideration the preparatory college atmosphere that the park provides. Most students at the park are able and ready to handle this college like atmosphere. This provides a transitory environment for students from high school to college and this preparation gives Plymouth-Canton students an edge over other students. The classes offered at the park are extremely important and valuable and I ask you to remember these unique classes in your decision. Please do not be afraid of the population of the high school. The strength of these classes is powered by the entire population. Great things are happening at the park and we as a community need to recognize these accomplishments. We need to recognize the teachers and students for their hard work.

If you agree that the park needs to be preserved call you school board members and voice your opinion. The members need to know how the community feels about this issue. Thank you. Michael Maloney-President-451-0115, Susan Davis-453-7528, Carried Blamer-455-5934, Elizabeth Givens-981-1281, Roland Thomas Jr.-453-3016, Judy Mardigian- 451-2230, Darwin Watts-459-2313.

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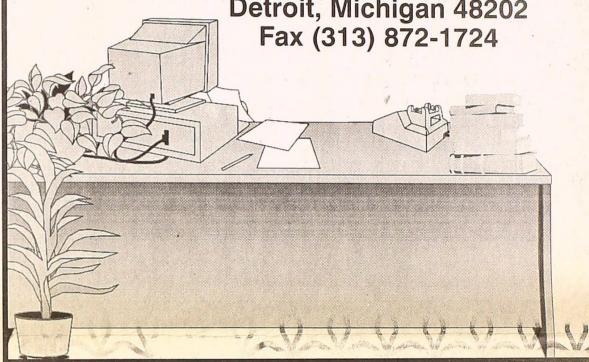
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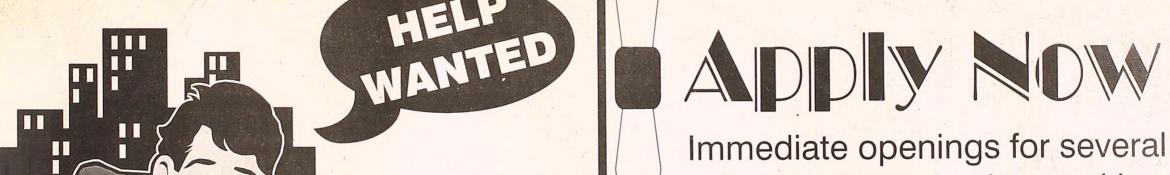
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A miracle: Wayne hoop star recovers from head injury

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Retired Inkster police officer Ray Smith received a priceless gift for the holidays his son's life.

And members of the Wayne Memorial High School basketball team and coaching staff say "it's a miracle."

Smith's son, Taron, a junior at the high school and one of the key players on coach Chuck Henry's team, was re-

leased from the hospital on Sunday after spending more that 10 days - three of them in a coma - at the hospital where he was rushed after a car acci-

Smith suffered head injuries from the accident, and doctors at the University of Michigan Hospital only shook their heads after they examined the young basketball star.

"It is really a miracle," said

Never underestimate the power of prayer. This

whole team was praying for him. - Chuck Henry

Never underestimate the power of prayer. This whole team was praying for him."

Smith was at the wheel of coach Henry, commenting on his car and had dropped off a Smith's recovery. "Never. teammate in the city of Romulus when the near fatal accident occurred on Beverly Road.

Smith apparently was pinned in his vehicle and Romulus Rescue Unit members were forced to bring in the Jaws of Life to cut through the mangled steel to get to the vic-

Smith was airlifted to U of M Hospital after he was transported to an area hospital, officials said.

"Everything is put into perspective when something like this happens," Henry later said. "No one around here thought Tara would come out of that coma. He did. They thought he would never get out

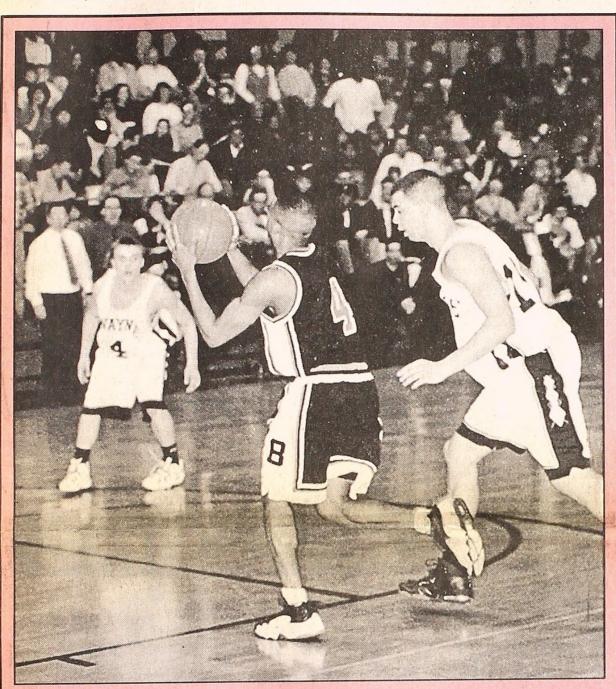
of that hospital. He is home and is recovering.

"There is no doubt in my mind that that young lad has the courage and the will to come back and play basketball one of these days. Nothing

would not surprise me."
Tara, a 6-3 junior forward, was Wayne's leading rebounders and second- best scorer this season.

Wayne was scheduled to

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Top sports stories of 1998?

What were the top local sports stories of 1998? How about Belleville's sensational run for the Class A state basketball championship? Or how about Romulus incredible football season. Or running back Freddie Russell's record-setting season. Ditto for Glenn's All-State ball carrier, Reggie Spearmon? Well, next week, the Michigan Community Newspapers' sports staff will flip back the pages of the year and come up with the Top 10. See if you agree. It will all be here next week!

Hoop camp, anyone?

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

If you're dreaming about being an NBA star, or looking to improve your hoop skills, better check this out.

Registration is now open for the prestigious Ten Star All-Star Basketball Camp which has produced some of the finest all-around players in the game's history.

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College basketball scholarships are also possible for the most advanced players.

are invited to register. For an evaluation form call (704) 372-8610. Players are selected by invitation only, according to camp officials.

The past participants include such greats as the mighty Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Grant Hill, Jerry Stackhouse, and Christian Laettner, to name just a few.

The camp locations are Marion, Indiana; Raleigh, North Carolina; Center Valley, Pennsylvania; Atlanta, Georgia; Bristol, Virginia and others. College basketball scholar-

ships are also possible for the most advanced players.

Romulus takes state champ Rouge into OT

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

When it comes to basketball, Romulus apparently learns fast.

Concerned that his team was inexperienced and didn't have a floor general to lead them, Romulus coach Guy DelGiudice got a big surprise last week when his Eagles took River Rouge, the Mega Conference Red Division and the Class B state champ into an overtime period before falling 57-52 on the home court before a standing room only crowd.

In fact, Romulus was up by two (50-48) with about five seconds left in the regulation period when Rajabu Nelson sank a jumper that tied the game and sent it into OT.

Nelson scored only four points for the evening, but that jumper did a lot of damage to I feel we're beginning to come together. - Guy DelGiudice

In the overtime, Romulus was outscored 7-2 as they failed to convert three easy

Rouge's Rodney Hayes tossed in the first basket in the OT that gave the visiting Panthers the lead for good.

"Those puppies just didn't want to fall for us," moaned DelGiudice, referring to the easy baskets. "If we had made them, we would have had them. But they didn't fall, and that's that.'

Romulus's defense was at its best in the first period as they held the explosive Panthers to a mere seven points for the en- lGiudice. "It takes time tire eight minutes. Up by six fort. And we have that."

(13-7) at the beginning of the second period, the Eagles's half-court press dissipated as Rouge came back behind a balanced scoring attack that lifted them to a 28-all tie at

Romulus's 6-8 junior center Chris Garwood got into early foul trouble and was not a factor in this match up. Led by 6-2 forward Darryl

Mason, who scored eight of his team high 17 points in the third stanza, Romulus again managed to forge ahead by three (41-38). The only other Romulus player to reach double figures was Kevin Thomas who had 10 points.

The loss left DelGiudice and the Eagles without a victory in the 1998 phase of the season. They are 0-3 on the year.

"I feel we're beginning to come together," said De-lGiudice. "It takes time and ef-

Prep wrestlers to decide state championships in Cobo Arena

Instead of traveling halfway around the state to watch the high school wrestling championships, local fans will only have to drive to the Joe Louis Arena to view the state finals.

The decision to switch the state championships to Detroit was approved by the Michigan High School Athletic Association, the august body that watches over prep sports in

the state. "It will give us an opportunity to perform right here in the metropolitan area," said longtime wrestling coach Sam Ellis. "This is the first time, that I can recall anyway, that Detroit will be hosting the state tournament."

Fans wishing to purchase advance tickets for the 1999 MHSAA Lower Peninsula Individual Wrestling finals which will be staged from March 11-13 at the Joe Louis Arena.

Fans can obtain tickets by

It will give us an opportunity to perform right here in the metropolitan area.

- Sam Ellis

mail order only beginning Jan.

The "early bid" ticket sale will provide an advance purchasing opportunity for what has become one of thehottest tickets to a high school championship event over the past decade. The 1999 finals will be the first time all four classes will come together under one roof for the 16-man double elimination tournament in 14 weight classes in each of four divisions, state officials note.

They also pointed out that the only tickets which may be purchased in advance by mail are all-tournament tickets, which will grant the bearer admission to all five sessions of

the event, reserving the same lower and upper bowl armchair seat. All tournament tickets are

\$25 each, and a purchaser will be able to purchase up to 10 tickets per division for each mail order form submitted. All tickets will be mailed by

March 1, unless special handling is requested at a fee of \$4 per order.

Spectators ordering tickets by mail must designate the division of action they prefer to watch, which will result in their ticket assignment being directly in view of the mats used for that competition.

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Order forms may be found on the MHSAA Website www.mhsaa.com.

hoop opener, 90-63 Belleville spoils Inkster's

'It was our first, their fifth game'

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Taking no chances with a team that had beaten them a year ago, Belleville spoiled Inkster's basketball debut last week with a convincing 90-63 victory over its Mega Conference Red Division rivals.

Inkster coach Hilton Graham said that his team made too many mistakes against a well-prepared, veteran Belleville squad.

And he also offered the following comment: "This was our first game; their (Belleville's) fifth game. And you could see the difference."

Graham, in his second season as the Vikings' coach, got a solid first- game performance from senior guard Anthony Baker, who scored 22 of the Vikings' points. Michael Will-

problems at the free throw line where the Vikings capitalized on only six of 14 charities.

Inkster also had its

iams also got off to a good start as he drilled four threes in a 21-point effort.

But after those two, the production falls off drastically for the Vikings.

In the meantime. C.J. Grantham, an All-Conference and All-Area guard a year ago, kept the Tigers in motion. Grantham scored five of his 17 points in the second period to pull Belleville from an eight point (24-16) first period lead to a commanding 22-point

cushion at the half.

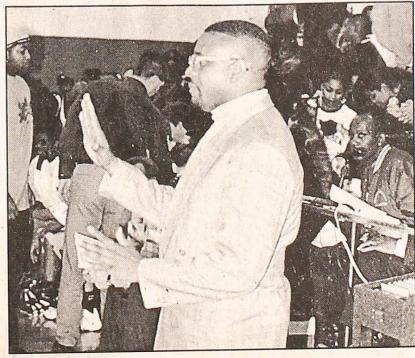
Belleville, with its overall strength, led 48-26 at the intermission, giving coach Rod Fisher the opportunity to turn the bench loose at will during the second half.

Belleville's Kevin Harrison led all scorers with 24 points, while Edwards and Grantham each had 17.

Inkster also had its problems at the free throw line where the Vikings capitalized on only six of 14 charities. Belleville also had 14 foul opportunities, but made eight.

Inkster's ineptness on the boards was evident. Belleville dominated both ends of the court, but the Vikings did get eight rebounds from James Swanigan, who also chipped in six points. Jamal Poole added

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Sophomore Inkster High coach Hilton Graham was back at courtside Monday night at the Highland Park Holiday Invitational after spending a couple of days trying to lower his blood pressure.

Viking coach is hospitalized

From the outside looking in. Inkster basketball coach Hilton Graham appears to be a cool and calm operator.

On the sidelines of a basketball court, he, like most coaches, allows his emotions to fast break.

Apparently, the defense mechanism ordered him to slow down.

'My blood pressure skyrocketed," said Graham, "so I checked into an area hospital to see what was happening. I am all-right now and ready to

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Logwood goes to college

MCN Staff Writer

Mario Logwood is one of a fine of athlete in his family.

The 6-4 former Inkster basketball star is the first member of his college to go to college, says Inkster High basketball coach Hilton Graham, "and everyone is very proud of him."

Logwood, who was named to the Michigan Community Newspapers' All-Area team after a successful senior year with the Vikings, is presently playing for Lane College, out of Jackson, Tennessee.

As a senior at Inkster High, Logwood averaged 13 points and eight rebounds per game.

Free T'ai Chi demo slated

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

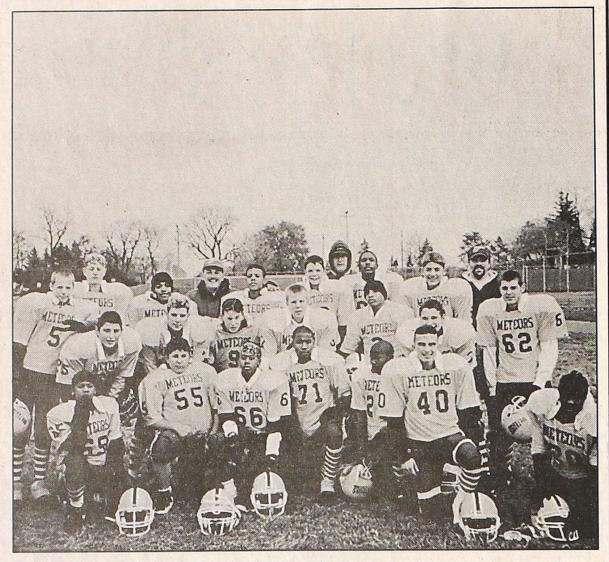
The Wayne Senior Activity Center will be offering a free demonstration on a no impact exercise program known as -T'ai Chi - at 11 a.m. Jan. 5.

Bob Correll, a T'ai Chi instructor, will present the hour long demonstration.

T'ai Chi helps build balance and strength without the soreness or discomfort caused by more routine exercise programs and is highly recommended for senior citizens.

Following that a 10 week program will be offered at 11 a.m. each Tuesday beginning on Jan. 12. The cost will be \$4 per session.

Anyone with questions on the classes should call 721-7460.



Super Bowl runners-up

Westland Youth Athletic Association's entry in the Western Suburban Junior Football Conference was awarded the runners-up trophy in the Super Bowl. The outstanding team had also captured the divisional championship this season. The WYAA club finished with an impressive overall 8-2 record with a lineup that included Tyrell Walker (left to right, front row), Jamar Crump, Jeffrey Brantley, Alan Barker, Ryan Ybarra, and Gregory Scott; second row are Zack Lappan, David Cicotte, Charlie Bloomfield, James Brucker, William Barney and Denny Valentin Jr.; third row are Thomas Tyler, Aaron Lindon, Gregory Minnifield, Darnell Smith, Joseph Fisher, Darian Mitchell, Steve Wallace, and Tony Carrico; in the fourth row are head coach Jack Cichocki, coach Bob Day, and coach Paul Umfleet Jr. Not available at the time of the photo is coach Paul Umfleet.

Send us your schedules, please

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Though one would not be-

lieve it by the weather, winter is right around the

And the high school win-

ter sports season gets under-

That means basketball, volleyball, swimming, wrestling and gymnastics will become the focus of the MCN staff's attention.

To help the Michigan

Community Newspapers Sports Staff cover local events, staffers urge athletic directors who have not yet mailed or "faxed" us their winter sports schedules to do so as soon as it is conve-

Spring soccer sign-up

Though spring is only a dream for most, the city of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is thinking about warmer weather and its Spring Youth Soccer Program.

Officials announced that they are accepting registration during the month of January at the Recreation Office.

Prospective players may sign up during business hours, 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The recreation department

tural Center, 525 Farmer All registrations require a

birth certificate. The fee for

is located in the Plymouth Cul-

All registrations require a birth certificate.

6,7, & 8 year olds is \$40 for residents and \$60 for nonresidents.

For nine and above participants, the registration fee is \$45 for residents and \$74 for non-residents.

For further information, contact the recreation offices at 734-455-6620.

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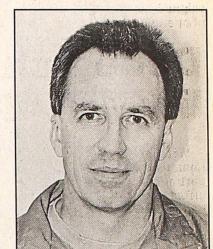
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play yesterday in the Superintendent's Holiday Classic, in the Cobo Arena. The invitational is hosted by newly- appointed Detroit Superintendent of Schools Eddie Green.

The Zebras were to meet Cass Tech.

Henry and the Zebras also received some more good news last week. Team captain Jamar Davis, sidelined since the beginning of the current season with a broken arm, was back on the hardwood on Monday practicing with the team.

Davis, a 5-9 senior guard, is the team's best all-around



Chuck Henry

player. After the 0-2 start, and the unexpected loss of Tara Smith, Davis's teammates rolled out the carpet for him.

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six rebounds and an equal amount of points.

"We're going to have to go back to the drawing boards and work on some things,"

Graham said. "We need to work harder." Graham and the Vikings

didn't rest over the holidays. They were back on the hardwood Monday night in the Highland Park Christmas Invitational where they clashed with Royal Oak Dondero.

Viking

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Coach, you better slow

Fast-breaks and scoring baskets aren't everything.

Just read what Wayne coach Chuck Henry has to say in the light of his star, Taron Smith's auto accident. Everything is put into perspective.

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Murder leaves four children without mother

By IVAN HELFMAN MCN Staff Writer

Four Canton girls, ages 9 weeks- to 6 years-old, were left motherless.

Their father, whom their mother left last summer, stands accused of stabbing her to death after a Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputy found the body of Veronica Walker, 29, last Tuesday in the front seat of her van outside a ball field in Ypsilanti.

Julius Walker, 36, of Ypsilanti Township, was arraigned last week on a charge of open murder in the death of

Walker was ordered held without bond in the Washtenaw County Jail.

his estranged wife, of Wayne County's Canton Township.

Walker was ordered held without bond in the Washtenaw County Jail.

Their four daughters, ages 9 weeks to 6 years, are staying with Veronica's mother in Canton Township, where Veronica Walker lived with the children

since the separation. She worked for the Washtenaw County Community Health department.

A month after the separation, Veronica Walker obtained a personal protection order against her husband September 15. On September 18, she filed for a divorce.

A fund has been set up to help the children. Donations may be sent to the Veronica Walker Memorial Fund, c/o Mike Murphy, Washtenaw County Community Mental Health, 555 Towner St., Ypsilanti, MI 48197.

Decoy checks to thwart liquor sales to Canton teens

With the holiday season upon us the Canton Police Department is putting forth every effort to ensure a safe and happy holiday for all. Safety is the utmost concern. As part of their ongoing decoy operation in area businesses, Canton police once again checked area bars and gas stations for selling alcohol and to minors.

On Thursday, Decmber 17 the Canton Police Department conducted an alcohol and tobacco sales check on the below listed businesses. A total of twelve businesses were checked. Only one business, Palermos, sold alcohol to a minor, and three gas stations on Ford Road sold tobacco to a minor. Two warrant arrests were also made related to tabacco sales.

Don Pablos Alcohol check did not sell to minor.

Hunan Empire Alcohol check did not sell to minor. Damon Ribs Alcohol check did not sell to minor.

Mesquite Creek Alcohol check did not sell to minor.

Outback Steakhouse Alcohol check did not sell to minor. TC Gators Alcohol check did not sell to minor.

Rusty Nail Alcohol check did not sell to minor.

Palermos Alcohol check

sold to minor. Smokers Express Tobacco check did not sell to minor.

Speedway Gas/Ford Road Tobacco check sold to minor. Clark Gas/Ford Road To-

bacco check sold to minor. Shell Gas/Ford Road Tobacco check sold to minor.

Westland woman wins \$100,000

A Westland woman is now \$100,000 richer after winning the top prize in the Michigan Lottery's Cash 5 game!

The 88-year old winner, who requested anonymity, collected the game's \$100,000 top prize by matching all five numbers in the December 17 drawing-4, 7, 8, 10 and 36. The winning "easy pick" ticket was purchased at Abby's Service Station, 1716 S. Merriman Rd., in Westland.

Due to an illness that prevented the Westland woman from traveling to Lottery headquaters in Lansing, the winner's son claimed the prize for her in her name.

"I watched the cash 5 drawing on WDIV-Channel 4, wrote down the numbers and then checked them against my mom's tickets," the winner's son said. "I looked at them 10 times before I could believe it was really happening! I was very suprised that she had

The Westland woman doesn't have any special plans for the money yet. Her son said she will probably put it in the bank for now and decide what to do with it later.

Cash 5 drwings are conducted every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Odds to win the \$100,000 prize are one in 575,757. Tickets are availble at more than 6,400 Michigan Lottery retailers statewide.

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Malibu has history of excellence, awards

By VIC BERNSTEIN MCN Staff Writer

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Malibu has a history of excellence and awards. Consumer-Guide magazine gives the 99 Malibu its "recommend" buy. Recently it was awarded top honors in Strategic Visions survey of new car owners, which measures the complete ownership experience. Assembled at either the Oklahoma City or Wilmington GM assembly plants using two new quality control processes. First, doorsoff processing allows numerous quality tests throughout the manufacturing process. Also used is net gauge hole body process, which allows for testing to insure precise and consistent fit.

The Malibu replaced the slow selling Chevy Corsica in 1997. It is said to be the first modern Chevy designed with contemporary International looks.

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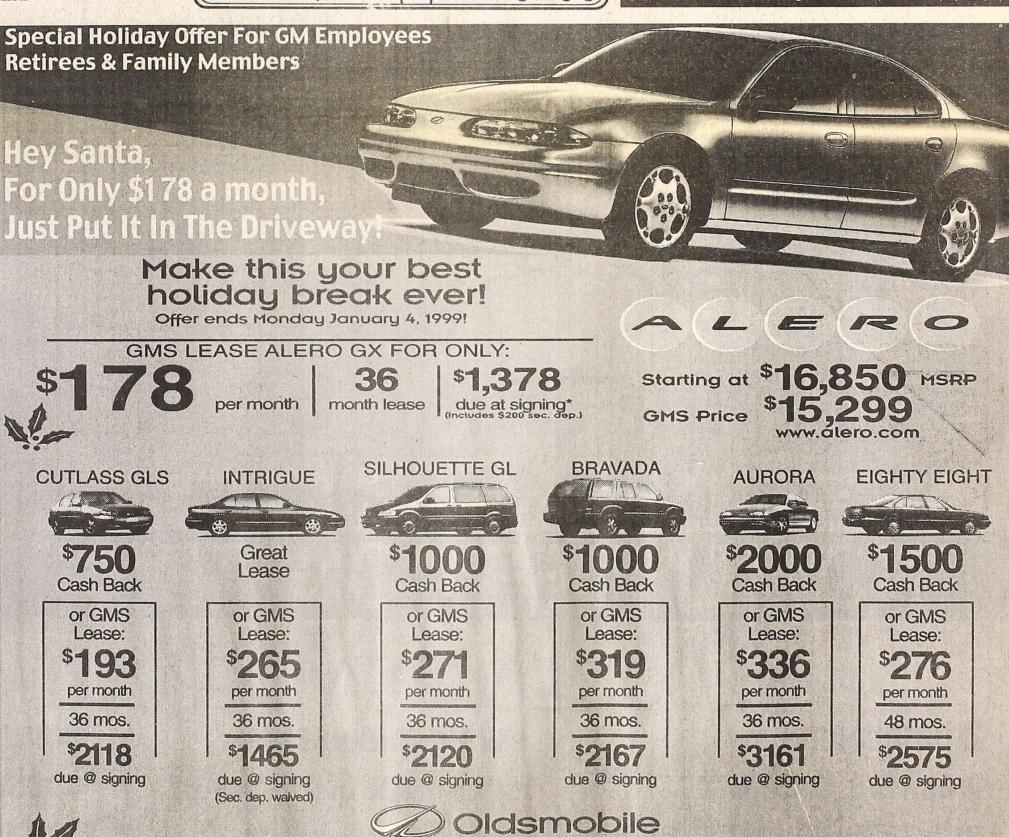
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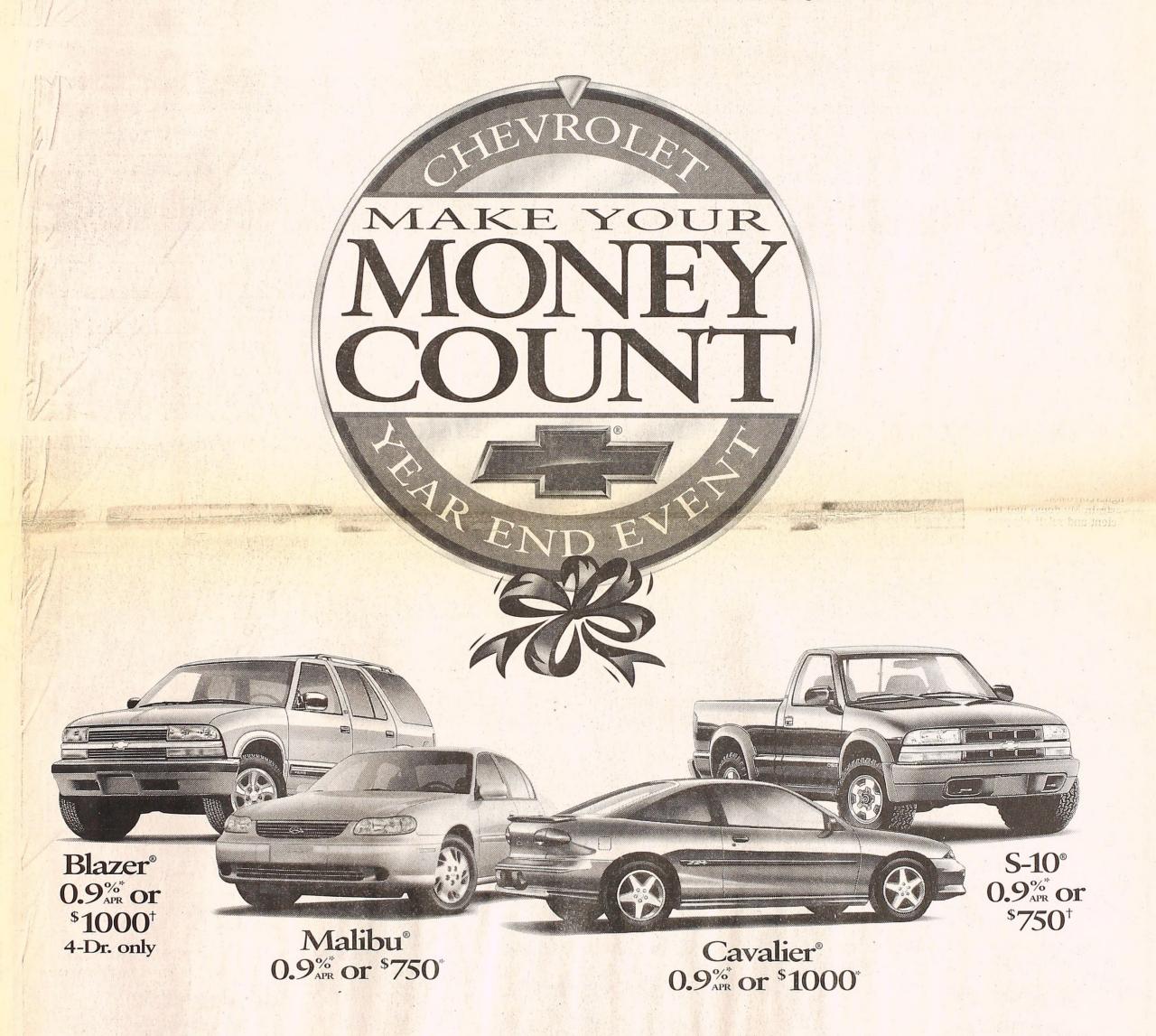
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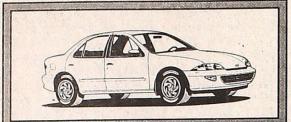


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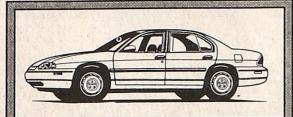


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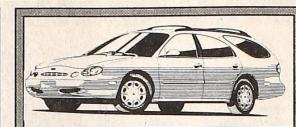
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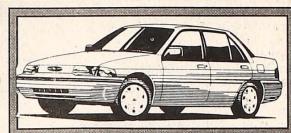
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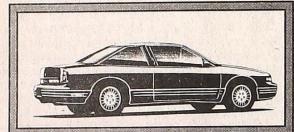
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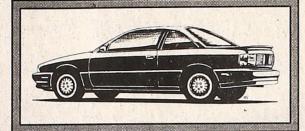
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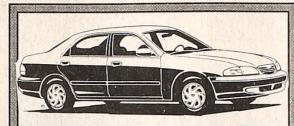
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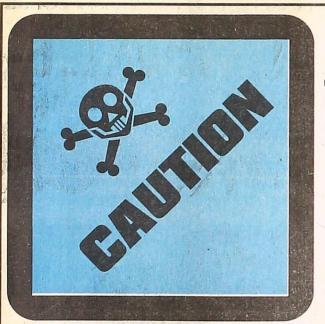
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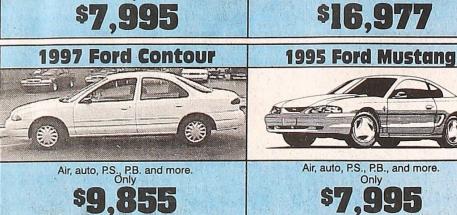
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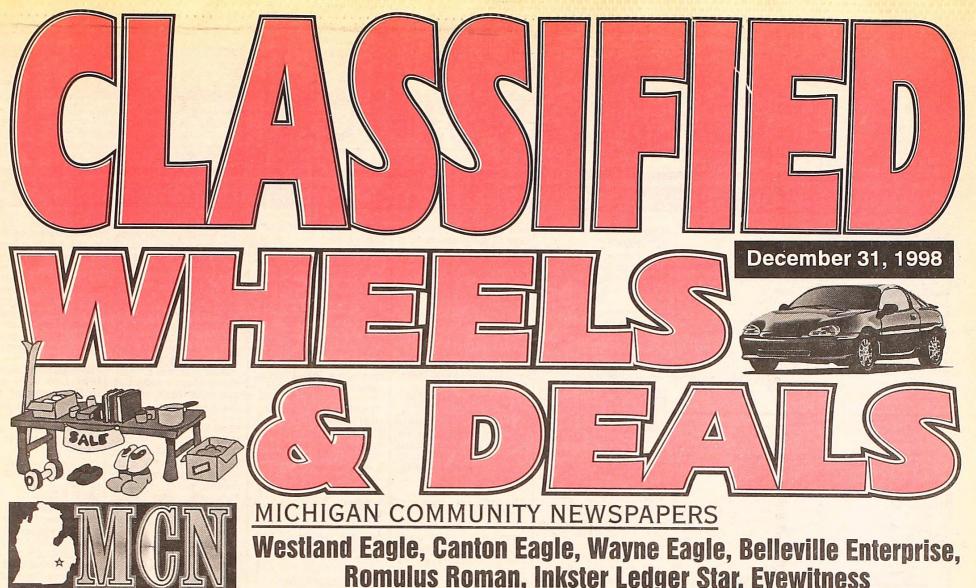
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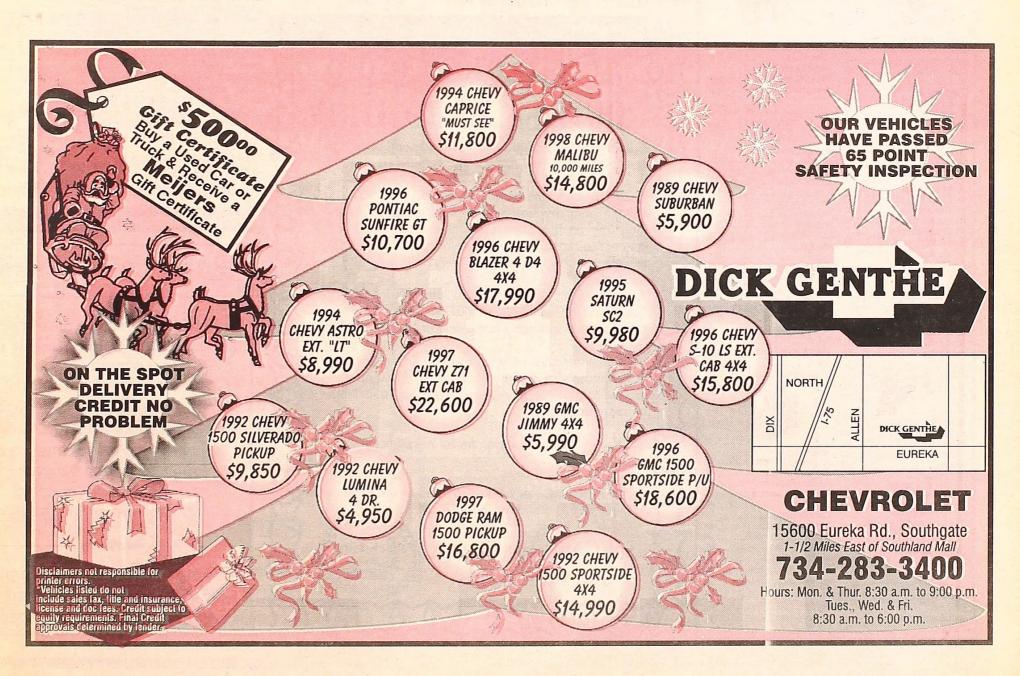
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Lawn & Garden Supp

Miscellaneous Items.

Miscellaneous Sales

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for Sale

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To all. Have a safe and sober holiday.

6. Legal-Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that on January 26, 1999, at 11:00 a.m., LeRoy Elfrank Auctioneers, Executive Administrator for Storage U.S.A., will be offering for sale under the Judicial Lien process, by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally desribed as household goods. The terms of the

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TENANT: Margaret

Kreyling
UNIT: A 123
ITEMS: numerous boxes, briefcase, plaid purse, numerous paperback books

TENANT: Samira Khan **UNIT: B 36**

ITEMS: fax machine, 4 chairs, 2 boxes, 2 heaters, file cabinets, office cubical, stainless steel doors wooden desk, desk shredder

TENANT: Jeff Stiehr

UNIT: B 40 ITEMS: 20+ boxes, weight bench, tool box, air conditioner, numerous shovels, tire ramps, dresser, wa terbed frames, waterbed mattress, cooler, baby car-riage, children's toys. TENANT: Jennifer Parker UNIT: C 62

ITEMS: Waterbed frames, television, numerous box-es, children's toys, 5 bags, baby stroller, children's bed frame.

TENANT: Ken Nealy UNIT: C 28

ITEMS: Glass table tops, bunk bed frames, ironing board, VCR, children's toys, tree stand, wood frames, walkie-talkie set.

TENANT: Vicki Enriquez **UNIT:** D 001

ITEMS: numerous boxes. rocking chair, chest, bicy-cle, children's toys, guitar, pallets, blankets.

TENANT: Rocquel Gregory UNIT: D 23

ITEMS: 2 dressers, mirror fish tank, showcase, children's picnic table, 2 box-

TENANT: Alisa Walls UNIT: D 24

ITEMS: 4 mattresses, 2 VCR's, 5 bags, 3 pictures, numerous boxes, couch,

chair, blinds, entertain-ment center, tables, ironing board, lamps, Christmas Tree.

TENANT: Tonya Black UNIT: D 51

ITEMS: microwave cabinet, plastic wagon, battery controlled jeep, high chair, suitcase, dresser, changing table, baby bed numerous bags, numerous boxes, lamps.

TENANT: Wilson Little UNIT: E 15

ITEMS: lawn mower, tires various automobile parts, engine block, dresser, numerous boxes, air tank compressor, desk, jewelry boxes, clothing, fans, deep freezer, various yard tools.

TENANT: Ruth Harrison

UNIT: F 14 ITEMS: 4 mattresses, 2 bed frames, numerous boxes, glass top table, couch, microwave, vacuum cleaner, children's toy chest.

TENANT: Roy Brown **UNIT: H 005**

ITEMS: electric guitar case, sub-woofer, misc. stereo equipment, 2

TENANT: Michael Kmet UNIT: 1 003

ITEMS: dryer, desk, 4 crates, 1 box, pallet.

TENANT: Janice Hunter

ITEMS: numerous bags, 4 boxes, chair, speakers, children's school desk,

TENANT: Marie Zakaria **UNIT:** K 006

ITEMS: exercise machine. 2 televisions, 2 couches, 2 lamps, bench, grill, nu-merous boxes, bags.

TENANT: Willie Brown

ITEMS: numerous boxes/ bags, VCR tapes, clothing, children's shoes, crates w/ personal items, maga-zines, lamps, vacuum cleaner

TENANT: Thereasa Montgomery UNIT: F 28

ITEMS: table saw, tables, desk, wheel barrow, skies, numerous boxes, suitcase, treadmill, hand tools, fishing rods, heater, baby stroller, lamps, guitar case, numerous bags, bowling

TENANT: Karl McAllister

ITEMS: 2 dressers, 2 bags clothing, numerous boxes, hide-away bed/couch, chair, baby stroller, car carrier seat, ironing board

TENANT: Lavan Williams **UNIT:** G 22

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TENANT: Halley Hoth UNIT: H 002

ITEMS: television, couch table, chair, dresser, lamps, end tables, vacuum cleaner, chest, yard tools clothing.

Publish: December 24,

December 31, 1998

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